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EVERY LITTLE HELPS



TESCO workers Rubel and Winston were among the volunteers who helped renovate a local pre-school during half term. See page 3 for the full story.

BY SHALINA HUSSAIN

PLANS for a new civic centre on the site of the old Royal London Hospital in Whitechapel have been given the green light by the council.

The decision was approved at a cabinet meeting on November 3 and will see the majority of the council's workforce, councillors and the mayor move into the grade II listed historic building on Whitechapel Road.

After his election in June, Mayor John Biggs requested a review of previously approved plans to move to Whitechapel to ensure that the scheme provided the best option and value for money.

The council's review looked at various refurbishment and new-build options, including the development of existing sites in Commercial Road and Bethnal Green.

Other important considerations included ensuring the best revenue savings, income from the sale of surplus

council-owned buildings and delivery of new affordable housing.

By all of these measurements, the Whitechapel scheme was rated the best value for money option, delivering long-term revenue savings to the council.

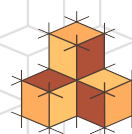
The move will create more than 700 new homes, at least 35 per cent of which will be designated affordable housing.

Mayor John Biggs said: "Given the size of the plans it's

crucial to ensure the numbers stack up and we are delivering a scheme which provides residents with the best deal.

"Moving to a grade II building presents its own challenges and the old Royal London Hospital has been an icon of the East End since the 1700s. It's fitting that, given the generations of service provided to local people, the building will once more return to serving the public."

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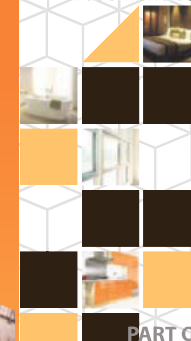
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What's in a name?

Allen Gardens' history can be traced back to the 1550s when the area was used for quarrying. It was these brickfield quarries that gave nearby Brick Lane its name.



Looking good

Volunteers, including Winston, left, gave a playgroup a makeover.

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News

£1,500 fine for parking assault

BY STEFAN SWIFT

A MAN was found guilty of assault by beating, over an attack on one of the council's civil enforcement officers.

Nicholas Jarvis, 27, of Carmen Street, E14, was found guilty at Snaresbrook Crown Court on October 1 following the incident which took place in Poplar.

The officer was punched to the ground following an altercation after Jarvis had been given a parking ticket.

Jarvis was found not guilty of a separate charge of racially or religiously aggravated

common assault. He was handed a sentence of six months' imprisonment, suspended for 12 months.

Jarvis was additionally ordered to carry out 100 hours of unpaid work supervised by the London Probation Trust.

The court also ordered he pay a fine of £1,500 and a surcharge of £80.

The council's officers are employed by its parking contractor, NSL.

Cllr Ayas Miah, cabinet member for environment, said: "Our dedicated staff should not be abused or threatened when they are simply trying to do their job."

"I thank all our civil enforcement officers who continue to operate effectively in what can be a difficult environment."

"We understand that people can be upset when faced with a parking fine, but we plead for restraint and ask residents to follow the correct complaint procedures if they have an issue."

"Thankfully the majority of residents and visitors to the borough who collect their vehicles are well behaved."

"We thank NSL for its continued high level of service and urge all residents and visitors to respect staff who are simply trying to do their jobs."



Scouts build a pirate ship for the children

WORKERS from Tesco and members of the community came together to spruce up a Bow pre-school.

Toddlers and parents who turned up at Vernon Playgroup after half term were met with a brighter, safer, more appealing building. Volunteers led by Samira Johnson, community liaison officer from Tesco, refurbished two children's toilets, installed

a baby changing unit and spruced up gates surrounding the building. They planted bulbs and a Scout group assembled a big pirate ship for the children. A maintenance team built a handrail and put up signs displaying opening and closing times. The refurbished playgroup was opened during a celebration on Monday, November 2.

News in brief

Foetus found in Mile End cemetery

POLICE are appealing for information following the discovery of a foetus in Tower Hamlets Cemetery Park.

Police were called to the cemetery in Hamlets Way, E3 at 12.34pm on Wednesday, November 4.

Officers and the London Ambulance Service attended and found the foetus, which is believed to be around ten to 12 weeks gestation.

Detectives are concerned about the welfare of the mother, who may require medical treatment.

Call the missing persons unit on 7275 4589 or 07799 737473, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Shops sold knives to under-18s

FOUR retailers in Tower Hamlets face prosecution for selling knives to teenagers during an undercover police operation.

Police, along with volunteer cadets and council trading standards officers, carried out 'test purchases' between Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 31.

Four out of 25 shops failed to comply with the law by selling knives to cadets who were under the age of 18.

The teams said they were encouraged by the number of shopkeepers who asked for identification and refused the sale of potentially lethal weapons to under-18s.

ARCHAEOLOGISTS excavating Allen Gardens in Bethnal Green welcomed families to an open day on October 30. Trainee archaeologists are currently digging in the remains of All Saints School, which opened in the early 19th century and closed its doors in the 1950s. A number of artefacts have been unearthed, including a complete inkwell and fragments of a blackboard.

Kevin Jones, a visitor to the open day, said: "Having grown up in the area, it's great to see some of its past first hand." Simon Webb, trainee with Museum of London Archaeology, said: "As a local resident it's exciting to dig a school that 100 years ago was central to the community. It's surprising what we can learn from even the smallest items, like this inkwell. It was made soon after the 1870s Education Act was introduced, which led to a significant increase in literacy and a demand for writing materials."

As well as viewing the remains, visitors took part in digging, artefact washing (pictured right) and identification. Roman and medieval re-enactors, dressed in historical clothing, regaled visitors with tales of life in London in the past.



Town Hall set to move

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"The decision also allows for the creation of more than 700 new homes and we will ensure that as many of these as possible are truly affordable."

The council will now appoint teams to look in detail at the design and to ensure the scheme continues to deliver maximum financial benefits and value for money. As part of the scheme, the council's John Onslow House

building in Bow will have a major refurbishment.

The move will play a key role in Whitechapel's ongoing regeneration plans.

The area is being transformed with the opening of Crossrail in 2018 and the Whitechapel Vision Masterplan is delivering 3,500 new homes, 5,000 jobs, new retail opportunities and attractive public spaces over the next ten years.

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Much loved after school club closes

“Every day of the 12 years at Trailblazers has been different. Watching the children grow, forming positive relationships with each other and develop their characters has been amazing.”

TRAILBLAZERS MANAGER CLAUDIA JOSEPH, BELOW

News

Trailblazers to make way for bulldozers



Children at the Trailblazers party

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

AN after school club that has served the community for more than 16 years closed its doors with a giant party.

Trailblazers closed on Friday, October 23 as Bethnal Green Mission Church, where the club was based, is being demolished.

Children, parents, carers and staff celebrated the achievements of the Cambridge Health Road club, whose activities included outings, mural painting, fashion shows, gardening, pond-dipping and bowling.

Manager Claudia Joseph said highlights included celebrations for both Fathers' Day and

Mothers' Day, bring-and-buy sales, Red Nose Day, Black History and World Cup events.

Rowan, who attended the club, said: "I had an amazing experience here, having fun, surprises and meeting a whole lot of new people. I think that we all want Trailblazers back."

Maia said: "Thank you so much for looking after me for three years. I really liked the way there was always something to play with

and everyone was so kind."

Mum Daisy said: "The first time we came to this magical basement, it was clear that this was somewhere special."

"Tally, Amira and Claudia are not just people who care for our children while we work, they love our children, they know them as individuals."

"This basement is a place that is filled with love, it was like something like a storybook."

Carer Kennedel said: "Thank you for providing a safe, fun and comfortable

place for my brother to tire himself out!

"I have found it difficult to get him to leave which shows how much he loves being here and the friends that he's made."

Claudia said: "Every day of the 12 years of working at Trailblazers has been different. Watching the children grow, forming positive relationships with each other and develop their own personal characters has been amazing."

The church is due to be demolished early next year and its congregation will meet at Raine's Foundation School.

There are no plans to restart the club and discussions are still taking place over use of the site.

Arrest in car attack on police

A MAN who drove a stolen car at police has been arrested for attempted murder.

Officers were called to reports of a stolen car in the Poplar area on Tuesday, October 20 at around 3.45pm.

Officers in two marked vehicles found the car in stationary traffic in East India Dock Road, at the junction with Leamouth Road. As officers approached, the car

pulled away, going through a red light.

A chase followed, before the car came to a stop in an industrial estate in Lanrick Road.

As the driver tried to turn his car around, the police instructed him to get out of the vehicle. Instead, he accelerated at speed towards one of the officers who struck the car window as it drove past him.

A second officer, directly behind the first, jumped out of the car's way.

The driver collided with three stationary vans before he jumped out.

Officers on foot, a police helicopter and MPS dog unit searched the area and found the man in a mud bed.

He was arrested on suspicion of attempted murder and taking and driving away. He was taken to an east London police station where he was bailed to return to a date at the end of November.

Good neighbours

Neighbours In Poplar, founded in 1969, provides support to older, frail, isolated people of all cultures and faiths.

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Railway protest

CAMPAIGNERS opposed to redevelopment plans for the site of Grade II listed railway arches in Bethnal Green are set to host a series of public events to raise their objections.

The More Light, More Power campaign will hold a rally at Bishopsgate Goodsyards, Shoreditch High Street, on Sunday, November 15 and a debate on Monday, November 16 at 7pm at St Leonard's Church, 119 Shoreditch High St, E1.

There will be an exhibition in the upper gallery of the church from November 12-30, between noon and 2pm, featuring the work and words of artists Gram Hilleard.

Campaigners have adopted the tag #StopTheGoodsyards on social media.

Show you care

COMMUNITY organisation Neighbours In Poplar will hold its AGM on Wednesday, November 11 at 7pm at St. Matthias Community Centre, 113 Poplar High Street. All are welcome.

The organisation is seeking volunteers for its projects including supporting the homeless, Christmas meals, Sunday parties, regular weekday hubs, social events and fundraising.

For further information call 7987 0257 or visit www.neighboursinpoplar.com



BIG Bengali marrows (kodus) of all shapes and sizes were entered into this year's harvest and autumn competition run by social housing landlord Poplar HARCA. Entrants included Kharul Islam of Oban House, Poplar and Nurul Islam, pictured with one of their marrows.

Teviot Garden community group won the competition.

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Consultation over cuts

"It is important not to be short-sighted and make small savings for today that will bring huge costs in the future."

CLLR OLI RAHMAN



From Jimmy Grimble to Shoutykid

Simon Mayle is an award-winning screenwriter for film and TV and among his credits is There's Only One Jimmy Grimble. Shoutykid is his debut children's novel.

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Resist short-term gains

News from council opposition leaders

INDEPENDENT councillors are opening up discussions with the public on the council's savings proposals, which would cut £63 million from the budget over the next three years.

We fear these proposals will have serious consequences for those most in need, frontline staff and services.

With severe austerity measures under the current government, councils nationwide are taking a look at their finances. It is important not to be short-sighted and make small savings today that will bring huge costs in future.

For example, it is published opinion that the proposed cuts to youth services could coincide with a rise in crime and anti-social behaviour. This, together with the proposal to remove the safety net for the police budget, would put pressure on policing and goes against the council's agreed priority that it is protected from cuts.

Safety in the community is not a privilege but a necessity, and a child lost to the criminal justice system is both costly and tragic.

If the council decides to cut its contribution to Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMH) services, alongside cuts to youth services, it is likely to both exacerbate and create issues.

Deprivation is often linked to poor mental health and the Fairness Commission's report from last year



highlighted a child poverty rate of 48 per cent, so it is vital to provide safety and continuity with CAMH services.

We know youth services provide support and safe spaces, which contribute to a young person's sense of well-being and provides the opportunity to have the life-skills needed to prosper.

Unemployment is another problem. The Fairness Commission report found that while local businesses, including Canary Wharf, provide significant numbers of jobs, these are predominantly filled by people living outside the borough.

We believe that any cuts to payments to those on internships and bursaries is forcing the poor to shoulder the cuts.

At the scrutiny meeting on November 2, we made strong representations to Mayor Biggs to reconsider the proposal to shut libraries on Sundays as well as the closure of the incontinence laundry service.

We will continue to be the voice of ordinary people – get in touch by calling me on 07961 743489.

Cllr Oli Rahman,
Leader, Independent group



AUTHOR and screenwriter Simon Mayle visited Blue Gate Fields School in Shadwell on October 19. The author of the Shoutykid series, pictured left with pupils, spoke to years four to six during school assembly and signed copies of his book.

Prizes for George Green's star pupils

STUDENTS at George Green's were presented with prizes and congratulated for their achievements at the school's annual prize giving ceremony.

Former England and West Ham United footballer Sir Trevor Brooking CBE was among those who presented prizes to outstanding youngsters from the Isle of Dogs school.

Iris Stewart MBE, a former pupil at George Green's and a mathematics teacher who became chair of governors, also attended the 11th annual ceremony, which took place at East Wintergarden, Canary Wharf on October 22.

Students including Jakira Kamaly, sixth form IB Ensemble, Angelica Poole and the GCSE Ensemble and Cindy



Prize-winner Hussein Yusuf takes a selfie with Sir Trevor Brooking

Wade provided musical entertainment. Head teacher Jill Baker thanked parents and carer. "Thank you for the support you give the students, they are a credit to you, themselves and the school," she said.

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Artists with a tale to tell

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

THE world's largest drawing festival gave pupils at Lansbury Lawrence School a chance to get creative.

The annual Big Draw festival encourages people of all ages to draw in schools, museums and outdoor spaces. This year's theme was 'every drawing tells a story.'

By focusing on still life drawing, the Poplar school pupils learnt to look closely at a variety of objects, which vary in scale and texture, while

developing their artistic skills.

Participants created an image using different art media including pencils, charcoal, pens, chalk and crayons, to experiment with different marks, line and tone.

To embrace the theme of the event, some children brought in special objects from home to add to the still life.

An exhibition of the finished work, including contributions by parents and teachers

has been displayed in the school foyer.

Kerri Sellens, visual arts teacher, said: "Collectively, the drawing

captures the story of our school community."



Fateha and Taiba draw a Furbee



Vaccination drive for flu season

Some of the main symptoms of flu include a high temperature, tiredness and weakness, headache, aches and pains and a dry, chesty cough.

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Clean Team win industry award

THE council has cleaned up at a prestigious national awards ceremony.

The borough picked up the silver prize in the large local authority category of the Clean Britain Awards on Thursday, November 5.

The awards recognise the achievements, innovations and contributions of companies, local authorities, community groups and professionals for their work across all aspects of the waste and resources industry.

With local authority budgets under continued pressure, judges were impressed with the quality of the council's

innovative applications.

Litter or recycling problems in Tower Hamlets can be reported using the council's free app, FiFiLi (Find It, Fix It, Love It), which is available for download from the App Store or Google Play.

Those with FiFiLi can photograph any problem on their smartphone and the app's location settings will pinpoint where it is, so staff can respond.

Overflowing bins can also be reported by scanning their unique QR codes, while fly-tipping or missed collections can be dealt with through online forms.



VINTAGE Routemaster buses were laid on to carry passengers during the Docklands Light Railway strike last week.

Workers on the DLR took action, closing most of the network for the first time in its 28-year history. The dispute by staff from the Rail,

Maritime and Transport union was in protest at poor working practices and bullying of staff. Transport for London laid on the extra services to help passengers between stations. The iconic original buses were last used in regular service in 2005.

News in brief Nappy happy

PARENTS and carers can get to grips with reusable nappies at a special 'Nappuccino' event.

The council is working with the Washable Nappy Company to give advice on using real nappies on Thursday, November 12 at Whitechapel Idea Store, 321 Whitechapel Road, E1.

New parents will be given an opportunity to find out the benefits of going green.

Taking place from 10am to 12noon, residents with a baby due or aged up to 18 months can apply for a voucher worth £40 to try real nappies which will be available to buy at the event.

Parents must register and bring along proof of identity, address and birth or pregnancy to get a voucher.

Call Ruhina Akter on 7364 6931 or email ruhina.akter@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Public urged to get free flu jab

Pregnant women and those with health conditions eligible

BY ALISON LANGLEY

RESIDENTS aged 65 or over or those who are pregnant or suffering with serious health conditions are being urged to get a flu vaccination.

Flu is a highly contagious viral infection that anyone can catch, and it can be really serious. The NHS Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and the council are urging people at the greatest risk to ensure they have their free flu jab.

The vaccine is available to:

- people aged 65 or over;
- pregnant women;
- people with a long term condition such as a heart problem, diabetes, kidney disease, liver disease, a chest complaint or breathing difficulties including bronchitis or emphysema;
- people with a weakened

immune system—for example patients taking steroids or undergoing cancer treatment;

- all children aged between two and four years old;
- carers for an elderly or disabled person whose welfare may be at risk if the carer falls ill.

People in these groups are 11 times more likely to experience complications with flu.

GP surgeries and many pharmacies offer the jab free of charge to people who are at risk.

Children who aged two, three and four years are offered a nasal spray vaccine to prevent them from getting the virus. This is less painful and quicker than receiving an injection.

Sir Sam Everington, chair of the CCG and a local GP, said: "If you are identified as being at a higher risk of illness if you get the flu, then I encourage you to get a jab. It is safe and free and

it can't give you flu. The vaccine is updated every year to combat the latest strains of the virus so if you are in an at risk group and had the jab last year, you will need another this year."

Dr Somen Banerjee, council director of public health, said: "For most healthy people, flu is an unpleasant experience with recovery time taking up to a week. However for older people, the very young, pregnant women and those with a long-term health condition, it can have very serious consequences and in some cases people require hospital treatment."

People working within the council and NHS, who have regular contact with the community, are also able to receive a flu vaccination. People working in residential and nursing care homes and domiciliary care agencies are also being urged to get vaccinated.

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Discuss local crime with the police

The first community safety roadshow will take place at Altab Ali Park on Thursday, November 12 from 3-6pm. For future dates and locations, visit...

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Useful information

Share your ASB concerns with us

News from the council's community safety team

THIS month sees the launch of our community safety roadshows offering residents a chance to discuss crime or anti-social behaviour (ASB) with us.

The council's mobile police office will be visiting every area in the borough and we would like to hear directly from you.

These surgeries offer you the chance to discuss any issues with senior Metropolitan Police officers, councillors and council staff.

The council's ASB investigation officers, drug outreach team, Tower Hamlets Enforcement Officers (THEOs) and youth workers will also be on hand to hear about any problems.

Taking place on various dates between 3-6pm, we hope that the length of the sessions will provide everyone with an opportunity to come along.

The first event will see the council's mobile police office visit Altab Ali Park on Thursday, November 12 and is open to everyone who lives, works or travels through the area.

For future dates and locations, visit <http://bit.ly/1sbINxW>

We hope that you can attend these sessions, which complement the Residents' Question Time (RQT) events being run in the borough by the Mayor of London's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC).

A version of RQT aimed specifically at young people in the borough will be taking place on November 25 at the Spotlight Youth Centre.

Talking of young people, as part of Youth Work Week, an event took place last week on the Collingwood Estate.

This saw the estate enforcements team and Tower Hamlets Homes' anti-social behaviour team come togeth-

er with tenants' groups and young people to discuss the issues affecting the place where they live.

It was a great example of residents getting to know and further understand each other, despite differences, to help prevent crime and ASB in the area and improve their estate.

If you can't make any of our community safety surgeries, then you can always report ASB, including noise or other environmental concerns, through the council's website.

We also encourage residents to call the police's non-emergency phone number on 101 to report anti-social behaviour, crime or other concerns that do not require an emergency response.

As with every year, the council is running a series of events to coincide with the international campaign, 16 Days of Action Against Gender Based Violence.

The action takes place from the UN International Day of Elimination of Violence against Women on November 25 until Human Rights Day on December 10.

The campaign highlights the link between violence against women and human rights.

There are a number of council-run events taking place, including the training of other public sector workers from neighbouring local authorities and the health service in spotting the signs of domestic abuse and Female Genital Mutilation.

Other topics that will be covered include sessions for those who work with people who have experienced child sexual exploitation, prostitution, forced marriage, so-called 'honour' based violence and faith-based abuse.

For more information or to get involved with any of our 16 Days of Action events, visit domesticviolence@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Chemist rota

Pharmacists in Tower Hamlets with extended opening hours.

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Chapel, 139 Cannon Street: Mon-Fri 9am-8pm, Sat 9am-6pm.

E2

Fairdale, 360 Bethnal Green Road: Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri 9am-6.30pm, Thurs 9am-1pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.

Florida, 307 Bethnal Green Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.

E3

Bell, 534 Roman Road: Mon-Sat 7am-11pm, Sun 10am-2pm.

Forward, 648 Mile End Road:

Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun and bank holidays 10am-6pm.

Green Light, St Andrew's Health Centre, 2 Hannaford Walk: 8am-8pm, seven days a week, including bank holidays.

Lincoln, 60 St Paul's Way: Mon, Tues, Weds 8am-8pm, Thurs, Fri, 8am-8pm, Sat 9am-5pm.

Tesco, Hancock Road: Mon 8am-10.30pm, Tues-Fri 6.30am-10.30pm, Sat 6.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-4pm.

E14

Boots, Unit 15, Jubilee Place: Mon-Fri 7am-midnight, Sat

9am-6pm, Sun 12pm-6pm.
Britannia (Perimart), Asda Precinct, East Ferry Road: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm, Sun 11am-4pm, bank holidays 11am-6pm.

Doctors

Please ring your doctor's surgery for an appointment, but if it's the weekend or late at night, call 7377 7151 (only for people in Tower Hamlets who are registered with a doctor). To find a doctor, dentist or help to quit smoking call the health hotline on 7364 5016, Mon-Fri 8am-8pm and Sat 8am-4pm.

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East London Parkinson's Support Group

For people with Parkinson's disease and their carers. Meets third Weds each month, 11am-12pm at John Scurr Community Centre, 1A Bekesbourne St, E14. 0844 225 3704/0808 800 0303

Family Information Service (FIS)

The Family Information Service provides information for people from birth to age 19 including helping parents and carers find childcare, advice on tax credits and childcare vouchers. Open Mon-Fri, 8am-6pm. 30 Greatorex Street, E1. fis@towerhamlets.gov.uk 7364 6495

Alzheimer's Society Tower Hamlets

Advice and help for carers and people with dementia. Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. Robinson Centre, Mile End Hospital, Bancroft Road, E1. 8121 5626

Tower Hamlets Advocacy Project

Independent advocates for adults with learning disabilities. Mon-Fri, 9.30am-4.30pm. Gladstone Place, 1 Ewart Place, E3. 7364 2550/2199

Parents Advice Centre (PAC)

Offers advice around special educational needs (SEN). 30 Greatorex Street, E1. Drop-in sessions every Tues & Fri, 9.30am-3.30pm. 364 6489

LinkAge Plus

An initiative of the Department for Work and Pensions. Toynbee Hall is one of five centres that coordinates services and activities provided. Mon-Fri from 9am-5pm, drop-in session for advice on benefits, pensions, employment and housing. Appointments necessary. Mon 9am-5pm, Bangladeshi group. Toynbee Hall, Commercial Street, E1 7392 2914 www.toynbeehall.org.uk

Free Advice

Benefits, housing, immigration.

Bengali speakers, home visits to house-bound. Weds, 10.30am-12.30pm, Island House, Roserton Street, E14. Thurs, 1-3pm, Splash, Will Crooks Estate, Poplar High Street, E14. 7987 9379

Skillsmatch

Free advice on all aspects of employment including training, apprenticeships and job vacancies. Canary Wharf Recruitment & Training Centre, 55 Upper Bank Street, E14. 7364 3727 or email skillsmatch@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Tower Hamlets National Childbirth Trust

Offers support, information and friendship to parents and parents-to-be. Regular events. 07976 710964 or towerhamletsnct@yahoo.com www.nct.org.uk

Breastfeeding Support Centres

Mon 11am-1pm Wapping Children's Centre, 15 Chandler St, E1. Weds 12.30-2.30pm, Collingwood Children's Centre, Buckhurst St, E1. Fri 12.30-2.30pm, Overland Children's Centre, 60 Parnell Rd, E3. Sun 2-4pm Barkantine Birth Centre, 121 Westferry Rd, E14. 3594 2591 or 07961 609 626

Free home fire safety advice

From the London Fire Brigade 08000 28 44 28

Careers advice

Tower Hamlets Careers Service

Careers advice for ages 13-19 (up to 25 SEN). Mon-Fri, 1pm-5pm. Appointments available. Careers Centre, 35 Bow Road, E3. 7364 1401

TH Lifelong Learning

Mon-Thurs, 10am-4pm. Shadwell Centre, 455 The Highway, E1.

Careers advice

Support from Civic Enterprise Clubs Co-operative. Tues & Thurs, 1-4pm & 6-9pm. Bishopsgate Institute, 230 Bishopsgate, EC2. 07432 463343



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A motivational visit from Wiley

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CATH SMITH, LEFT, HEAD TEACHER AT BOW SCHOOL

Back to Bow

"I hope it inspires all young people and encourages them to know that, if I can do it, so can they!"

RAPPER AND MOBO WINNER WILEY

News

New protocol to improve transparency

THE council has launched a new protocol to improve transparency and accountability.

It ensures residents and councillors are able to hold the mayor and cabinet to account, and aims to increase transparency in decision making, the mayor's activities and priorities, procurement, contracts, grants, budgets and expenditure.

The transparency protocol sets out a series of pledges:

- the mayor will take all decisions in public through cabinet and, where this is not possible, a clear reason will be provided to explain why;

- the mayor will be open to the public, scrutiny and opposition questions at all public decision-making forums;

- the mayor will create more opportunities, through public meetings, for residents to ask questions and raise concerns;
- the council will involve residents and councillors in consultation at the earliest possible point in any policy or decision-making process;

- the council will make information available to the public and all councillors in a timely and easily accessible format;

- the council will actively communicate with residents and respond to queries positively.

Since his election in June 2015, the mayor has already made key changes to increase the level of transparency.

Opposition group leaders now have a monthly column each in East End Life; the mayor holds a weekly surgery which all residents are able to attend; he has attended all overview and scrutiny meetings he has been invited to; the mayor publishes all decisions on the council's website and provides a written report to full council on his activities, including key decisions that have been made.

A set of longer-term actions have also been proposed. This includes using social media in democratic meetings and creating opportunities for residents to shape council services.

'Godfather of Grime' returns to Bow School to be presented with new MOBO award

BY SAM GOUGH

RAPPER Wiley has been presented with a MOBO Paving the Way award at his old school.

Wiley attended a ceremony to unveil a commemorative stone at Bow School, which recognises his accomplishments in the world of music.

The stone features lyrics from his song Bow, E3: "I'm so E3, the whole of E3 got so much talent I hope you see."

He was joined by pupils at the school – who gave the artist and former pupil a big cheer.

Wiley said: "I am honoured to receive this award to celebrate my achievements in music so far. MOBO has supported my music career from the very beginning and it's humbling to have this paving stone laid at one of the places which shaped me – Bow School."

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Wiley, with MOBO founder Kanya King and Bow pupils, at the unveiling of the stone

Welcome back!

"It's extra special as my father also attended this school. I hope it inspires young people and encourages them to know that, if I can do it, so can they!"



Wiley with dinner ladies Angela and Elizabeth

ITV2 and MOBO collaborated to create the new award, celebrating 20 years of providing a mainstream platform for a generation of emerging talent.

The artist, often called the Godfather of Grime, is an MC, songwriter and record producer who has pioneered the world of underground music through his numerous hits and collaborations.

The 36-year-old shot to fame from the material released with his grime crew Roll Deep, which included Dizzee Rascal and Tinchy Stryder – both of whom also grew up in Tower Hamlets.

Wiley has also had UK top 10 hits including Wearing My Rolex, Never Be Your Women and Heatwave.

Mayor John Biggs said: "Wiley is an extraordinary local boy who has helped to put Bow on the map as a hub

for diverse musical talent. It's important for pupils to see and learn from local heroes they can identify with, and Wiley has proved himself to be a great role model."

Head teacher Cath Smith said: "Our job as educators is to find ways of inspiring our students, encouraging them to go the extra mile and put in the extra effort in order to be successful in whatever way they choose."

"It was fantastic, to welcome back one of our ex-students who has followed his passion and used his steely determination to make a success of himself in a highly competitive world."

"Wiley inspired students and left us a permanent, motivational reminder in our playground – a paving stone marking his success as the 'Godfather of Grime' and the first person to receive a Paving the Way Award."

POLICE have released an image of a man (right) they wish to speak to after a car was stolen.

Officers are trying to trace Ashley Clayton, 18, of no fixed address, in connection with the incident which happened in Poplar on Sunday, September 13 at around 1pm. He is described as a light-skinned black man, 6ft 2in tall with short-medium Afro-style hair.



Anyone with information about his whereabouts is asked to call the police on 101. To remain anonymous, call 0800 555 111.

Talk to the police about ASB

RESIDENTS are invited to a series of roadshows to discuss crime or anti-social behaviour concerns.

Twenty events will give people the chance to raise any community safety issues.

The council's mobile police office will be visiting locations on various dates.

Cllr Shiria Khatun, deputy mayor and cabinet member

for community safety, will be joined by Metropolitan Police borough commander, Andy Ewing, local police safer neighbourhood teams, council officers and housing associations.

The first event will see the mobile police office visit Altab Ali Park on Thursday, November 12 from 3-6pm, welcoming everyone who lives, works or travels through the area.

News in brief

Free benefits advice

RESIDENTS can get free advice on benefits, debt, housing and other areas of social welfare law from Tower Hamlets Community Advice Network.

The service can help with issues such as lengthy delays in processing benefits claims. It can provide help managing rent and mortgage arrears, transfer requests, homelessness, disrepair, possession, warrants, landlord/tenant disputes and arbitration applications.

The network can access solicitors, barristers and law students who provide, free, quality assured legal advice.

It also offers opportunities to train as advisors, administration officers and receptionists.

Go to www.thcan.org.uk or email thcan@island-advice.org.uk

A STEP towards employment

GATEWAY Housing Association is running a free, five-day Support to Employment workshop from November 9-13.

Sessions run from 11am to 2pm at The Zone, 409-413 Mile End Road, E3 and will cover looking for work, CV and interview skills.

You will gain an accredited Level 1 Award in Employability Skills and create a personal development plan. To book a place, call 8709 4499 or email STEP@gatewayhousing.org.uk

New society formed

A NEW group, which aims to help improve, maintain and enhance conservation and listed buildings, was officially formed at a meeting held on October 22 at Dorset Library, Bethnal Green.

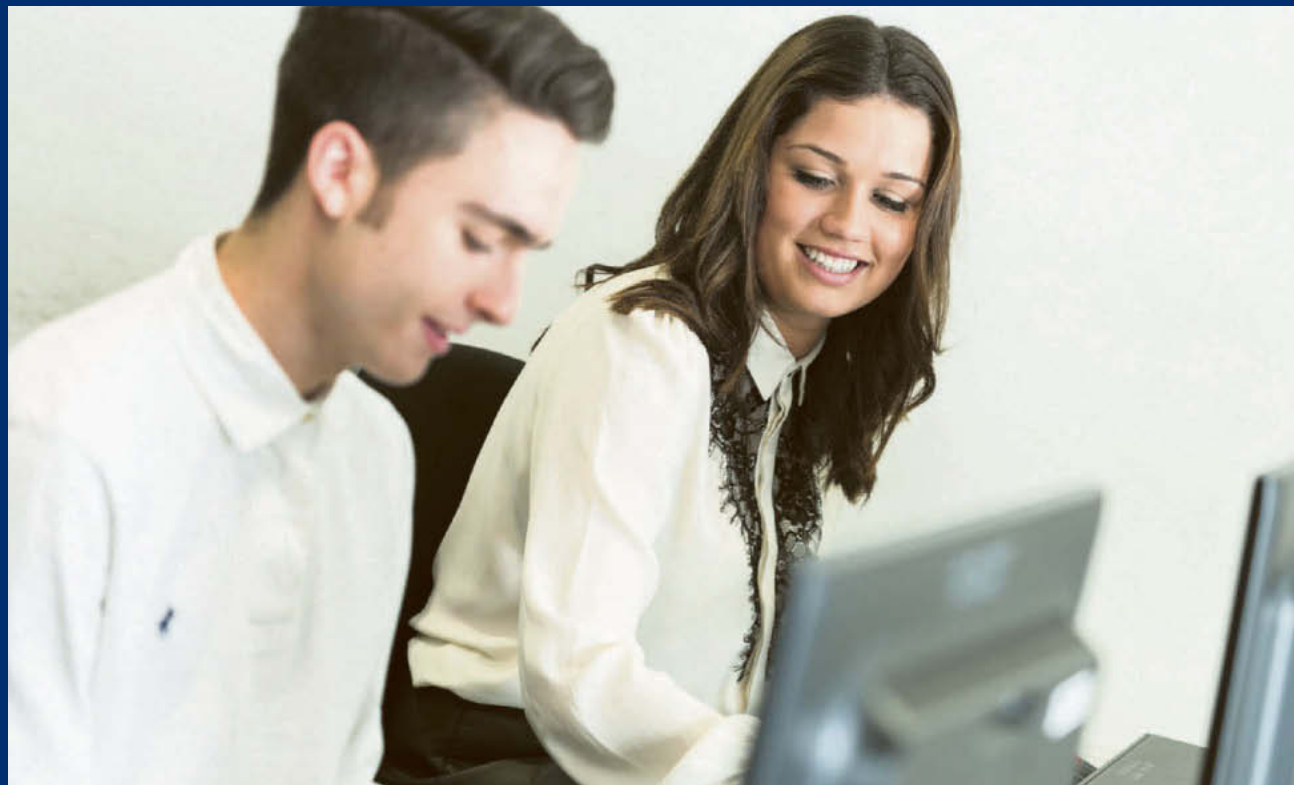
The Friends of Bethnal Green Gardens and the Friends of Columbia Road aims to promote the area for business and offer a better understanding of historical context.

The group's first event will be a bulb-planting session in Bethnal Green Gardens this month.

For more information or to take part, email eastlondongardensociety@gmail.com

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A fixture of the cultural calendar

A Season of Bangla Drama, now in its thirteenth year, features music, dance and drama at venues across the borough. For more information about this year's programme, visit...

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Charitable group

The Sanaton Association is a charity which aims to preserve Hindu religion and culture.

WWW.SANATON.ORG.UK

News

Drama season is underway

BY SAM GOUGH

A SEASON of Bangla Drama got underway on Sunday, November 1 with a sell-out performance of The Altab Ali Story.

The heart-breaking play tells the story of a racist murder in 1978, focusing on the moment when Altab Ali's mother was told the devastating news he had been killed.

His death was the catalyst for a huge anti-racist movement, which culminated in a demonstration by 10,000 people marching to Downing Street with his coffin.

The show received a standing ovation.

Organised by the council, the month-long festival features

more than 25 events, bringing together the best in Bangladeshi culture.

Now in its 13th year, the season features music, colour, dance and drama at venues across Tower Hamlets.

There is a mix of hard-hitting and light-hearted pieces, but all have a deeper moral message to convey and touch on issues ranging from corruption and greed to love and loss.

Events taking place this year include:

■ a trilogy of works by Rabindranath Tagore.

■ Rin Shodh, which follows the life of King Bijoyaditto.

■ Nripati (The Emperor), a satirical play that depicts the ultimate victory of the people over a dictator.



A Season of Bangla Drama runs throughout November

The main programme of performances will be supplemented by a fringe featuring talks, walks and exhibitions.

For more information about all the shows, go to www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/arts

A Season of Bangla Drama is

supported by Arts Council England, Queen Mary, University of London and Canary Wharf Group.

News in brief

Diwali invitation

PEOPLE of all faiths and none are invited to celebrate the Hindu festival of Diwali, this Tuesday, November 10 at York Hall, Old Ford Road, Bethnal Green.

Community group Sanaton Association will host the celebration from 2-11pm and all are welcome to enjoy live music, dance, food and more.

For details email info@sanaton.org.uk

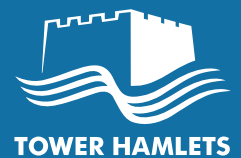
Doros Ullah

DOROS Ullah, who featured in issue 1082 of East End Life, served at Harry Gosling Primary School as a Local Education Authority governor for 20 years.

During this period, he was chair of the governing body continuously for 18 years until he retired from the school.

MyFuture

Apprenticeships, Traineeships and Courses for Young People



Date: Thursday 12 November 2015

Time: 3.00pm – 5.00pm

Venue: The Spotlight Youth Centre

If you are aged 16 – 19, or up to 25 with Special Educational Needs and interested in apprenticeships, training programmes or courses then come along and meet recruiters who have opportunities available.

For more information, contact the Targeted Youth Support team on 020 7364 2707 or email targeted.support@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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London E14 6GN

DLR: Langdon Park
Buses: 309, D8

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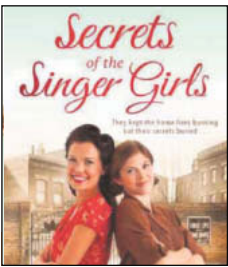
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Rebels with a cause

Author David Rosenberg's Rebel Footprints tells the story of various radical movements in the East End.



Sharing their secrets with readers

Speakers featuring at this year's WriteIdea festival include walker and author Iain Sinclair and Kate Thompson, who wrote the Secrets of the Singer Girls.

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News

Snap up Christmas gifts from the Urban Makers

URBAN Makers East will be hosting two Christmas craft markets at St Paul's Church in Bow.

The events are on Saturdays, November 21 and December 5, between 11am-5pm, at

the church in St Stephen's Road. They will be packed with goods from local designers and makers, including cards, artwork, jewellery, skincare products, purses and wallets, knitwear and children's clothes.

Local chef Ali Noor will run a café and mulled wine and mince pies will be on sale. Visit www.urbanmakerseast.co.uk for more information and a list of those taking part in each market.



David Rosenberg walks in the footsteps of rebels

WriteIdea to be better than ever

BY SAM GOUGH

WRITEIDEA, the council's free writing festival, returns this month – bigger and better than ever.

The event will take place at Idea Store Whitechapel on the weekend of November 13-15.

There are a whole host of talks, including:

- **David Rosenberg** – the writer and walk guide will give an illustrated talk on London radicals including Chartists and Suffragettes, pacifists and anti-fascists that he collected for his book Rebel Footprints: a guide to uncovering London's radical history;
- **Michael Rosen** – who will be presenting his brand new adult poetry;
- **Nicci French** – the pseudonym of Nicci Gerrard and Sean French – who together are the



Michael Rosen

authors of 18 best-selling psychological thrillers, including Friday on my Mind;

- **Marcus O'Dair** – who will be discussing his biography of musician, Robert Wyatt, who was worked with Bjork, Hot Chip and Scritti Politti.

To find out more, visit www.writeideafestival.org

Have your say

on the proposal for the new Silvertown Tunnel

We're giving you an opportunity to have your say on the proposal for a new tunnel at Silvertown, before a planning application is submitted in Spring 2016. The new tunnel will:

- Reduce queuing at the Blackwall Tunnel by providing a nearby alternative river crossing
- Offer new cross-river bus link opportunities
- Support the creation of new jobs and homes

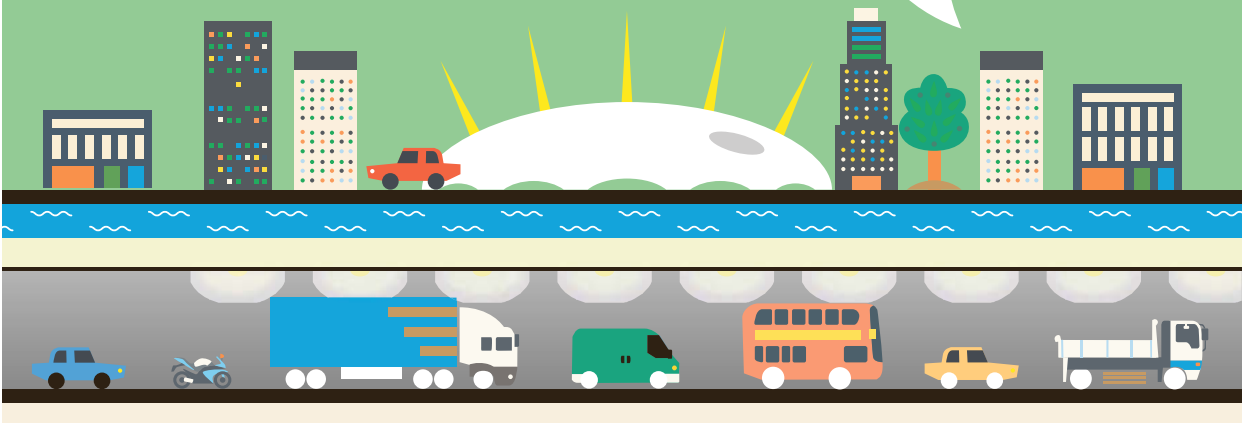
Our scheme includes a proposal to introduce a charge to use the Blackwall and Silvertown Tunnels. This would help manage traffic-flow and fund the new tunnel.

To find out more please visit tfl.gov.uk/silvertown-tunnel or go to your local roadshow:

Canary Wharf Shopping Centre, Canada Place crossroads, E14 5AB
Saturday 14 November, 11:00-17:00

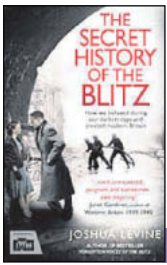
Idea Store Chrisp Street, 1 Vesey Path, East India Dock Road, E14 6BT
Tuesday 17 November, 12:00-19:00

The consultation ends 29 November 2015



MAYOR OF LONDON





What happened under cover of darkness Got a story to tell?

We know blackouts and shortages of petrol and other essentials were a godsend to East End villains. But the real story of the Blitz is far more complex, as a fascinating new book reveals.

If you have a tale about East End history, write to John Rennie or email him at johnrennie@gmail.com

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History



Finding pleasures in the hell of the Blitz

BY JOHN RENNIE

WE all know the story of the Blitz – or think we do.

The terror of East Enders in constant fear of their lives, transmuted over the last decades into a story of 'Blitz spirit', of pluck and defiance.

We know too that East End villains used the cover of darkness to expand their operations: blackouts and shortages of petrol and other essentials were a godsend to a young Frankie Fraser and Dad's Army's Private Walker alike.

But the real story of the Blitz is far more complex, as a fascinating new book reveals. From secret trials of Nazi spies, to covered-up murders, sexual exploration and permanent social change, the Blitz (as much as the war itself) changed the social fabric of London for good. Without it there might have been no Swinging Sixties.

The long-feared Blitz had begun, of course, on September 7, 1940 – 57 consecutive nights of aerial bombardment, with the East End hit harder than anywhere else.

Buckingham Palace too got nine direct hits, though was miraculously unscathed, famously allowing Queen Elizabeth to at last "look the East End squarely in the face". Tube stations would be opened (under public pressure) as air raid shelters, and unarguably saved many lives (though there would be tragedies too, as the people of Bethnal Green were to discover).

The East End had known air raids before, in the First World War. Zeppelin and Schutte-Lanz airships and Gotha heavy bombers had killed more than 1,400 civilians, the majority around the docks and the City.

Liverpool Street Station received a direct

Above left: taking shelter during the Blitz in a Tube station

Above right: the East End burns

hit as did Upper North Street School in Poplar, where a bomb exploded in the infants' classroom as the children were busy making paper chains.

But the Second World War brought not just an intensification of raids (aerial technology and the potency of bombs had increased massively), but the constant fear of invasion. On September 7, the code-word 'Cromwell' was issued to Southern, Eastern and Western Commands by GHQ Home Forces: the code meant a German invasion was imminent. In the midst of the chaos of falling bombs, fires and smoke, fire fighters and ARP men were warned to look out for paratroopers and traitors.

With sanguine common sense, one Stepney fireman was heard to query: "ow the 'ell do you recognise friend from foe, when we're all covered in the same shit?"

And far from simply pulling together, the constant fear of invasion awoke a visceral fear of anyone different. The Home Office began to receive complaints about police behaviour around the East End docks, "where coloured men from the Colonies were being continually moved on when talking together on pavements". A group of Bangladeshis or Jamaicans could hardly have been less likely to be a cell of German spies, but rattled local bobbies were getting jumpy.

We tend to think of post-Colonial immigration to Britain starting in the 1950s, but the Second World War saw large numbers of men from the Indian subcontinent and the West Indies fighting for Britain (at great cost in loss of lives).

Many passed through London, many were already here – many working in the ARP and as London firefighters – and yet

it was almost impossible for them to find billets. Lodging houses turned them away, and Londoner Mrs Uroom (the daughter of a black West Indian father and white mother, and married to a west African man employed on demolition work) wrote to Winston Churchill, outlining the terrible discrimination people were facing.

This "intelligent and sensible woman" wrote about "the difficulties which working-class coloured people have in finding decent and reasonably priced accommodation in London". Shockingly, she wrote that they were "often ejected from air raid shelters by wardens and policemen as if they were Jews in Germany".

For those lucky enough to get in the shelters it was a time of terror. Viola Bawtree, 57, described everyone crammed together as "comic" but was in no state to appreciate the humour. "Between 3 and 4am was the worst, when my teeth chattered and I trembled violently."

The East End of London was sleep deprived. "People were walking around like zombies," recalled Roy Bartlett, then a London schoolboy.

The great sculptor, Henry Moore found a new life as an official war artist, producing sombre sketches of Londoners underground, but it all started by accident, when Moore and his wife found themselves "trapped" in a Tube station during a raid. His claustrophobia turned to fascination with East Enders' "retreat from civilisation, by the elemental chaos and disorder... nothing remained but bare human essence".

Moore now turned his attention towards the chaos of the notorious Tilbury Shelter in Stepney, "a massive goods yard packed with East Enders". He drew the un-

finished railway tunnel at Stratford Broadway, a shelter memorably described by Supt Reginald Smith of the Met's 'K' Division: "The first thing I heard was [a sort of] wailing, as if there were animals down there moaning and crying. And then... this terrible stench. It was worse than dead bodies, hot and thick and so fetid that I gagged and then I was sick. I could see faces peering towards me lit by candles and lanterns, and it was like a painting of hell."

Of course, people can't abide entirely in misery, and began to take their pleasures where they could. Husbands away on service, foreign soldiers passing through London, children evacuated to the country, freed many women from the taut morality of 1940s England – there were encounters in hotels, in the Blackout, in air raid shelters, even on public transport.

The writer Quentin Crisp, as obviously 'out' as a gay man could be in 1940s London, wrote in amazement at the frequency with which he found himself sitting opposite a man on the Tube who "decided to try to win fame, like Mr Mercator, for his projection. The insult implied in these offers of instant sex no longer troubled me".

If it seems astonishing that Londoners had let their stiff upper lip soften to the extent of exposing themselves on the Underground, come the peace everything was safely buttoned up once more.

Writer Ronald Blyth observed that "one charming couple, they were engaged before the war, she was in London, he in the Middle East. They decided when they got married, just after the war, they wouldn't ask each other anything about anything that had happened during the war. That was all in the past."

The Secret History of the Blitz by Joshua Levine, published by Simon and Schuster in Association with the Imperial War Museum, iwm.org.uk, £16.99, hardback.



Harmony

Rajada qorshaha shaqaalaysiinta dhalinyarada

Recruiters hoping for a match at jobs fair

TOWER Hamlets waxay qorsheynaysaa inay mar kale marti qaado, Shaqada Mustaqbalkayga iyo cadaalada firsadaha, iyadoo la tixraacayo guulihii lasoo maray ee dhalinyarada loogu ee-gayey shaqooyinka ku ha-boon.

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COUNCILKU wuxu soo dhaweeyey ogeysiiskii ka soo baxay, Qaybta Bushooyinka iyo Degmooyinka, ee ku saabsanaa in awoodihii loo celiyo councilka.

Diisambar 2014kii, ayay ahayd markii Xukuumadu usoo dirtay councilka Xubno gudi ah oo baadha qaybo councilka ka mid ah, oo ay ka mid yihiin deeqaha iyo adeegyada.

Councilku wuxu aad uga shaqeeyey inuu wax ka qabto walwalka xuxuumadu muujisay. Warbixntii laga soo saaray hawl fulineedkii lixdii bilood oo

ugu dambeeyey waxa lagu ogaaday, in 91% waxyaabihii la muujiyey la dhamaystiray, ama ay ku dhow yihiin in la dhamays tiro, iyadoo la raacayo bartilmaameedkii la dejiyey.

Duqa John Biggs: “Waxaanu soo dhaweynanaa codkan kalsoonida ah, iyadoo la diyaariyey koox maamul oo cusub, waxana qorshahayagu yahay inaanu wixii lasoo dhaafay dhinac iska dhigno. “Shaqo maalmeedkaa councilku maaha siyaasad gaar ah, laakiin waxay ku saabsan tahay bixinta adeegyo wanaagsan, waana qorshaha aanu sii wadi

doono. Bulshadayadu waxay u baahan tahay adeeg, shaqaalahayaguna waxay sidoo kale u diyaar yihiin inay adeegyada u gudbiyaan.

“Waxaanu u baahanay inaanu aad u shaqayno, si aanu u taageero bulso xoogan oo aad u midaysan. Tower Hamlets waxay tahay, siina ahaanaysaa meelaha ugu xiisaha badan London.”

Wakiil hayadeedyadu waxay sii ahaan doonaan qayb councilka ka mdi ah, Ogeysiiskani wuxu astaan u yahay cadaynta maamul cafimaad qaba iyo dibudhiska kalsoonida dadweynaha.

স্বচ্ছতা ও জবাবদিহিতা নিশ্চিত করতে প্রোটোকল চালু করেছে কাউন্সিল

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স্বচ্ছতা এবং জবাবদিহিতা আরো উন্নত করতে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস্ কাউন্সিল নতুন একটি প্রোটোকল চালু করেছে। জনসাধারণ ও কাউন্সিলরা যাতে মেয়র এবং কেবিনেটকে জবাবদিহি করতে বাধ্য করতে পারেন, তা নিশ্চিত করা হয়েছে নতুন এই প্রোটোকলে।

এর লক্ষ্য হচ্ছে, সিদ্ধান্ত গ্রহণ প্রক্রিয়ায়, মেয়রের কার্যক্রম ও অগ্রাধিকারসমূহে, কাউন্সিলের ক্রয় প্রক্রিয়ায়, কন্ট্রাক্টরবৃন্দ, অনুদান সমূহ, বাজেট ও ব্যয়খাতে স্বচ্ছতা বাড়াণো।

মেয়র, জন বিগস এ প্রসঙ্গে বলেন, কঠিন পরিস্থিতি থেকে কাউন্সিল বের হয়ে আসছে, যে পরিস্থিতি কাউন্সিলের কাজের ওপর বাসিন্দাদের আস্থায় প্রভাব ফেলেছিলো।

তিনি বলেন, ঐসব ইস্যুগুলোতে নজর দেয়ার প্রাথমিক উদ্যোগ হচ্ছে এই ট্রান্সপেরেন্সি প্রোটোকল। সাংগঠনিক সংস্কৃতি পরিবর্তনের সময় হচ্ছে এখনই। প্রতিরক্ষামূলক ও আত্মরক্ষামূলক পদ্ধতিতে থেকে বের হয়ে এসে অধিকতর উন্মুক্ততা, সম্পৃক্তা এবং আলিঙ্গন করার গুরুত্বকে স্বীকৃতি দেয়া হয়েছে এই প্রোটোকলে।

নতুন এই ট্রান্সপেরেন্সি প্রোটোকলে মেয়রের পক্ষ থেকে অনেকগুলো অঙ্গিকার তুলে ধরা

হয়েছে। এগুলোর মধ্যে রয়েছেঃ

– মেয়র সকল সিদ্ধান্ত কেবিনেটের মাধ্যমে প্রকাশ্যে গ্রহণ করবেন এবং যেসব ক্ষেত্রে এটা সম্ভব হবে না, কেন তা সম্ভব হয়নি, তার পরিস্কার ব্যাখ্যা সহ জানাবেন।

– সকল সিদ্ধান্ত গ্রহণ ফোরামে মেয়র জনসাধারণ, জুটিনি এবং বিরোধীদের প্রশ্নের মুখোমুখি হবেন।

– পাবলিক মিটিংসমূহের মাধ্যমে মেয়র আরো বেশি সংখ্যক সুবিধাদি সৃষ্টি করবেন, যাতে করে বাসিন্দারা তাকে প্রশ্ন করতে ও তাদের উদ্বেগ উৎকর্ষা তুলে ধরতে পারেন।

– কাউন্সিলর যে কোন পলিসি অথবা সিদ্ধান্ত গ্রহণ প্রক্রিয়া শুরু করবে একদম প্রাথমিক পর্যায়ে বাসিন্দা এবং কাউন্সিলরদের সাথে কনসালটেশন করবে।

– কাউন্সিল সকল তথ্য জনসাধারণ ও কাউন্সিলরদের সামনে যথাসময়ে ও সহজবোধ্য ভাবে তুলে ধরবে।

– কাউন্সিল বাসিন্দাদের সাথে অত্যন্ত কার্যকর পন্থায় যোগাযোগ করবে এবং তাদের অনুসন্ধানের ইতিবাচক সাড়া দেবে।

২০১৫ সালের নির্বাচনে নির্বাচিত হওয়ার পর

মেয়র জন বিগস কাউন্সিলের কর্মকাণ্ডে স্বচ্ছতার মাত্রা বাড়াতে অনেকগুলো মৌলিক পরিবর্তন এনেছেন।

যেমন, বিরোধী গ্রুপের নেতারা এখন প্রতি মাসে ইস্ট এন্ড লাইফ এ একটি কলাম পাচ্ছেন, মেয়র সাপ্তাহিক সার্জারি পরিচালনা করছেন, যেখানে বাসিন্দারা সরাসরি তাঁর সাথে কথা বলার সুযোগ পাচ্ছেন, ওভারভিউ এন্ড জুটিনি কমিটির যতগুলো সভায় তাকে আমন্ত্রণ জানানো হয়েছে, সবগুলোতে তিনি যোগ দিয়েছেন, মেয়র তার সকল সিদ্ধান্ত কাউন্সিলের ওয়েবসাইটে প্রকাশ করেছেন এবং মেয়র তাঁর যাবতীয় কার্যক্রমের, বিশেষ করে মৌলিক সিদ্ধান্ত সমূহ উল্লেখ করে লিখিত প্রতিবেদন ফুল কাউন্সিল মিটিংয়ে উপস্থাপন করেছেন।

কাউন্সিলকে বীকন অব ট্রান্সপেরেন্সি বা স্বচ্ছতার বাতিঘর হিসেবে গড়ে তুলতে আরো কিছু দীর্ঘমেয়াদী কর্মকৌশল গ্রহণ করা হয়েছে। এর মধ্যে রয়েছে গণতান্ত্রিক সভাগুলোর ক্ষেত্রে সোশ্যাল মিডিয়াকে ব্যবহার করা এবং বাসিন্দারা যাতে কাউন্সিল সার্ভিসগুলোকে তাদের প্রত্যাশা অনুযায়ী গড়ে তুলতে পারেন, তা নিশ্চিত করতে নতুন নতুন সুযোগ তৈরী করা।



Wiley with Bow School boys and the Mobo stone

র‍্যাপার উইলির প্রতিভার স্বীকৃতি স্বরূপ বো স্কুলে স্মারক প্রস্তর স্থাপন

Grime artist Wiley returns to Bow School – page 9

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস বারার বো স্কুলের প্রাক্তন ছাত্র র‍্যাপার উইলিকে মোবো এওয়ার্ড প্রাপ্তি উপলক্ষে স্কুলে ২ নভেম্বর সন্ধ্যানা দেয়া হয়।

এই অনুষ্ঠানে বো স্কুলে একটি স্মারক প্রস্তর স্থাপন করা হয়, যেখানে বিশ্ব সঙ্গীতজ্ঞনে তার অর্জনের স্বীকৃতি দেয়া হয়েছে। এই স্মারক প্রস্তরে বো এলাকা নিয়ে উইলির লেখা গান ‘আমি ই৩, পুরো ই৩ এলাকায় রয়েছে অসখ্য প্রতিভা, যা তুমি দেখবে বলে আমি আশাবাদি’ লাইনটি উৎকীর্ণ করা হয়েছে।

র‍্যাপার উইলি যখন শিক্ষার্থীদের সামনে

আসেন, তখন হর্ষোৎফুল্ল শিক্ষার্থীরা করতালি দিয়ে তাকে স্বাগত জানায়। এসময় তার সাথে আরো ছিলেন মোবো এওয়ার্ড বিজয়ী ক্যানি কিং এমবিএই।

শিক্ষার্থীদের উদ্দেশ্যে বক্তৃতাকালে উইলি বলেন, সঙ্গীতে আমার অর্জনের স্বীকৃতি হিসেবে আজ যে সম্মান আমাকে দেয়া হলো, সেজন্য আমি অভিভূত। সঙ্গীত জীবনের একদম শুরু থেকেই মোবো আমাকে সহযোগিতা করছে এবং যে বো স্কুল আমার জীবনের আকার দিয়েছে, সেখানে আমার জন্য স্মারক প্রস্তর স্থাপন

নিঃসন্দেহে অনেক সম্মানের ও পৌরবের। আমার বাবাও এই স্কুলের শিক্ষার্থী ছিলেন। আমি মনে করি আমার এই অর্জনে তরুণরা অনুপ্রাণিত হবে। আমি তাদেরকে বলতে চাই, আমি যদি পারি, তাহলে তোমরাও পারবে।

র‍্যাপার উইলি সম্পর্কে মন্তব্যকালে মেয়র জন বিগস, উইলি হচ্ছে অসাধারণ স্থানীয় তরুণ, যে তার পুরো ক্যারিয়ারে বো এলাকাকে বহু সাংস্কৃতিক প্রতিভার কেন্দ্র হিসেবে তুলে ধরতে সাহায্য করেছেন। উইলি নিজেকে মহান অনুস্মরণযোগ্য মডেল হিসেবে তুলে ধরেছেন।



শুরু হলো মাসব্যাপি বাংলা নাট্যোৎসব

কাউন্সিলের উদ্যোগে মাসব্যাপি বাংলা নাট্যোৎসব ১ নভেম্বর থেকে শুরু হয়েছে। দ্যা আলতাব আলী স্টোরি মঞ্চায়নের মধ্য দিয়ে শুরু হয়েছে ত্রয়োদশ বাংলা নাট্যোৎসব। কেবিনেট মেম্বার ফর কালচার, কাউন্সিলর আসমা বেগম এই নাট্যোৎসব আনুষ্ঠানিকভাবে উদ্বোধন করেন। বিস্তারিত পড়ুন নীচে –

DRAMA FESTIVAL KICKS OFF WITH SOLD OUT OPENING NIGHT

Harmony



A Season of Bangla Drama kicked off with a sold out performance of The Altab Ali Story

দ্যা আলতাব আলী স্টোরি’র মঞ্চায়নের মধ্য দিয়ে শুরু হলো মাসব্যাপি বাংলা নাট্যোৎসব

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টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস্ কাউন্সিলের উদ্যোগে মাসব্যাপি বাংলা নাট্যোৎসব এ সিজন অব বাংলা ড্রামা ১ নভেম্বর থেকে শুরু হয়েছে।

সব টিকেট বিক্রি হয়ে যাওয়া নাটক দ্যা আলতাব আলী স্টোরি মঞ্চায়নের মধ্য দিয়ে শুরু হয়েছে ত্রয়োদশ বাংলা নাট্যোৎসব।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস্ কাউন্সিলের সংস্কৃতি বিষয়ক কেবিনেট মেম্বার, কাউন্সিলর আসমা বেগম প্রণোদিত ও বহু সাংস্কৃতিক বৈচিত্র্যময় এই থিয়েটার ফেস্টিভালের উদ্বোধন করেন।

দ্যা আলতাব আলী স্টোরি মঞ্চায়নের আগে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের কিশোর তরুণ বয়সীরা

আর্টস্ উইদাউট বোর্ডারস্ এর সাথে সম্পৃক্ত হয়ে ‘স্যা হোইট?’ নামের নতুন একটি শিল্প কর্মে অংশ নেন।

অনুষ্ঠানে বক্তৃতাকালে কাউন্সিলর আসমা বেগম বলেন, এই নাট্যোৎসব শুধু টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসে নয়, গোটা লন্ডনের মধ্যে সবচেয়ে গুরুত্বপূর্ণ সাংস্কৃতিক ইভেন্টে পরিণত হয়েছে।

এটা বাংলা সংস্কৃতির উৎসব, যা সকলের জন্য উন্মুক্ত। আজকের এই উদ্বোধনী মঞ্চায়নে বিভিন্ন ভাষা-ভাষি মানুষের এই বিপুল উপস্থিতিতে এটাই প্রমাণ হয় যে, বাংলা নাট্যোৎসব কতটা গুরুত্বপূর্ণ।

১৯৭৮ সালে পূর্ব লন্ডনে আলতাব আলীর নির্মম প্রাণহানির হৃদয়বিদারক কাহিনী তুলে ধরা হয়েছে এই দ্যা আলতাব আলী স্টোরিতে। যখন আলতাব আলীর হত্যার খবরটি যখন তাঁর মা কে দেয়া হয়, তখন যে হৃদয়বিদারক দৃশ্যের অবতারণা হয়, সেটা বিশেষভাবে তুলে ধরা হয় এই নাটকে।

আলতাব আলী নির্মম হত্যাকাণ্ডের ঘটনাকে কেন্দ্র করে বাঙালি কমিউনিটি বর্ণবাদ বিরোধী আন্দোলন গড়ে তোলেন। নিহত আলতাব আলীর কফিন নিয়ে ১০ হাজারের বেশি বিক্ষুব্ধ বাঙালি মিছিল করে ১০ ডাউনিং স্ট্রিটে। এমন বিক্ষোভ

বৃটেনের ইতিহাসে প্রথম। নাটকটি মঞ্চায়নের পর দর্শকরা দাঁড়িয়ে অভিনন্দন জানান।

এই নাট্যোৎসব সম্পর্কে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে মেয়র জন বিগস বলেন, নাট্যকার, নির্দেশক, অভিনেতা অভিনেত্রীদের দক্ষতা ও অভিজ্ঞতার টেস্টামেন্ট হচ্ছে এই সিজন অব বাংলা ড্রামা। নতুন ও পুরনো গল্পের উদ্ভাবনী ও সনাতনি উপস্থাপনা এই উৎসবকে দিনকে দিন জনপ্রিয় করে তুলছে।

এই বাংলা নাট্যোৎসবকে সহায়তা করছে আর্টস্ কাউন্সিল ইংল্যান্ড, কুইন মেরী, ইউনিভার্সিটি অব লন্ডন এবং ক্যানরি ওয়ার্ল্ড গ্রুপ।

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বায়ু দূষণ হ্রাসে গৃহিত জেন প্রকল্প এওয়ার্ডের জন্য শর্টলিষ্টেড হলো

ZEN nominated for awards – issue 1084

বারায় বাতাসে দূষণ কমিয়ে আনতে গৃহিত প্রকল্পটি তিনটি এওয়ার্ডের জন্য সংক্ষিপ্ত তালিকাভুক্ত হয়েছে।

সিটি ফ্রিঞ্জ হিসেবে পরিচিত শহরতলি এলাকাগুলোতে পরিচালিত হচ্ছে জিরো এমিশনস্ নেটওয়ার্ক (জেডইএন বা জেন) এবং টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস্, হ্যাকনি ও ইজলিটন যৌথভাবে এই প্রকল্প পরিচালনা করছে।

সিটি ফ্রিঞ্জ এলাকার বাণিজ্যিক প্রতিষ্ঠান-গুলোকে সহযোগিতার মাধ্যমে তাদের দ্বারা সৃষ্ট দূষণ কমিয়ে এনে বাতাসে দূষনের মাত্রা হ্রাস করতেই এই উদ্যোগ নেয়া হয়েছে।

এরি মধ্যে ৭ শতাধিক ফার্ম জেন প্রকল্পে যোগ দিয়েছে এবং তাদেরকে বিনা মূল্যে এনাজী এডভাইস দেয়ার পাশাপাশি তাদের ব্যবসা প্রতিষ্ঠানের ইকো অডিট করা হচ্ছে। এই পরিবেশ-নিরীক্ষার মাধ্যমে কোম্পানীগুলোর হিটিং, লাইটিং, ইনসুলেশন, পানির ব্যবহার ও আবর্জনা ব্যবস্থাপনা প্রক্রিয়া মূল্যায়ন করা হয়।

এছাড়া ব্যবসায়ীরা বিনা মূল্যে কার ক্লাবের মেম্বার হতে পারবেন, ইলেক্ট্রিক টেক্সত্রে ডিসকাউন্ট পাবেন এবং কার্গো বাইক ও ইলেক্ট্রিক ডেইলি পেরীক্ষামূলকভাবে ব্যবহারের সুযোগ পাবেন। জেন ব্যবসায়ীদেরকে অর্থ

সামর্থ্যের পাশাপাশি দূষণ কমাতে এবং নিজেদের ও নিজ প্রতিষ্ঠানে কর্মরত স্টাফদের স্বাস্থ্য উন্নত করতে সাহায্য করছে।

জেন স্কীমটি এনাজী সেভিংস্ ট্রাস্ট ২০১৫ এর ফ্লিট হিরোজ এওয়ার্ডের “এয়ার কোয়ালিটি ইনিশিয়েটিভ” ক্যাটাগরিতে বিজয়ী হওয়ার জন্য শর্টলিষ্টেড হয়েছে। আগামী ২৬ নভেম্বর বিজয়ীর নাম ঘোষণা করা হবে।

এছাড়া সম্প্রতি ন্যাশনাল এয়ার কোয়ালিটি এওয়ার্ডের টপ প্রাইজের জন্যও জেন শর্টলিষ্টেড হয়েছে এবং মোডশিফট এর সাসটেনেইবল ট্রাভেল ইনিশিয়েটিভ এওয়ার্ডের জন্যও নমিনেটেড হয়।

কেবিনেট মেম্বার ফর এনভায়রনমেন্ট, কাউন্সিলর আয়াছ মিয়া বলেন, জিরো এমিশনস্ নেটওয়ার্কে বিপুল সংখ্যক ব্যবসা প্রতিষ্ঠান যোগ দেয়ায় আমরা খুবই অনুপ্রাণিত বোধ করছি। এই প্রজেক্ট যত শক্তিশালী হচ্ছে, ততই এর সদস্য সংখ্যা বৃদ্ধি পাচ্ছে ও সদস্যদের মধ্যে সত্যিকারের কমিউনিটি বোধ তৈরী হচ্ছে। তিনি সিটি ফ্রিঞ্জ এলাকার সকল ব্যবসা প্রতিষ্ঠানকে এই নেটওয়ার্কের আওতায় এসে অর্থ সামর্থ্যের পাশাপাশি পরিবেশ সুরক্ষায় ভূমিকা রাখার আহ্বান জানান।

চাকুরি মেলা ১২ নভেম্বর

Jobs fair at Spotlight Youth Centre on November 12

কাউন্সিলের উদ্যোগে আরেকটি জব ফেয়ার বা চাকুরি মেলা আগামী ১২ নভেম্বর বৃহস্পতিবার অনুষ্ঠিত হবে।

ল্যাংডন পার্কের স্পটলাইট ইয়ুথ সেন্টারে বেলা ৩টা থেকে ৫টা পর্যন্ত অনুষ্ঠিতব্য এই কর্মসংস্থান মেলায় ১৬ ও ১৯ বছর বয়সীরা (বিশেষ শিক্ষা চাহিদা সম্পন্ন ও ডিজবলদের ক্ষেত্রে ২৫ বছর) বিভিন্ন ধরনের এপ্রেন্টিসশীপ, চাকুরি, ট্রেনিং সুবিধাদি ও কোর্স সম্পর্কে জানার সুযোগ পাবে।

বারার তরুণদের কর্মসংস্থানে মাই ফিউচার শীর্ষক এই জব ফেয়ার এর অতীত সাফল্যের ধারাবাহিকতায় আবারও এটি আয়োজন করা হচ্ছে। মেলায় অনেকগুলো নিয়োগ দাতা প্রতিষ্ঠান অংশ নেবে এবং অংশগ্রহণকারীরা সরাসরি এমপ্লয়ার ও ট্রেনিং প্রোভাইডারদের সাথে কথা বলে নিজেদের আত্মবিশ্বাস আরো সুসংহত করার সুযোগ পাবে। এছাড়া কর্মসংস্থানে দক্ষতা বৃদ্ধি সংক্রান্ত বিষয়েও অভিজ্ঞ পরামর্শ পাওয়া যাবে।

এই জব ফেয়ারে ক্রসরেল, লন্ডন সিটি এয়ারপোর্ট, গ্রেগস্ এবং কাউন্সিলের নিজস্ব সার্ভিস যেমন আইডিয়া স্টোরসমূহ ও স্কিলসম্যাচ অংশ নেবে।



HARCA's harvest and autumn competition

সোশ্যাল হাউজিং ল্যান্ডলর্ড পপলার হারকা’র উদ্যোগে আয়োজিত হারভেস্ট এন্ড অটম্ন কম্পিটিশনে বিশাল সাইজের এই কদুটি জমা পড়েছে। ওবান হাউজের বাসিন্দা খায়রুল ইসলাম এবং মুকুল ইসলাম (ছবি) তাদের উৎপাদিত কদু নিয়ে এই প্রতিযোগিতায় অংশ নেন। চলতি বছরের প্রতিযোগিতায় জয় লাভ করেছে টেভিয়ট গার্ডেন কমিউনিটি গ্রুপ।

What would you do with a few hundred pounds? Spend it on clothes, trainers, nights out or pursuing a sport or hobby? Not in the case of a group of young adults who, with just £500 each, have put their passion into a range of social enterprises bringing benefits to the borough. **Jessica Odubayo** went to meet them. Photos by **Kois Miah**.

We've SEEN the difference we can make

WITHIN the last 12 months, Amir Miah, Sumayya Begum, Audrey Bansende, Luke Davis and Iftekhar Hussain have each received funding and support from a programme aimed at young business people.

The Tower Hamlets Social Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Network (SEEN) awards offer a mix of cash and professional support to help people aged 16-24.

Twenty-three-year-old **LUKE DAVIS** moved from Cambridgeshire to Poplar as part of a community scheme for graduates.

Luke worked with students at Langdon Park School, providing mentoring and classroom support. The idea for his enterprise – Trip Up – came while working at the school.

"I observed that school trips were not as inspiring as they could have been," Luke said.

"I decided to combat this by giving students the opportunity to plan and run their own outings."

He also recognised that many young people don't leave their neighbourhoods to find job opportunities in other parts of the capital. He takes students from Tower Hamlets schools to visit businesses across London to highlight career opportunities.

One such event included a trip to the Nissan Innovation Station at the O2 in Greenwich and a visit to Lloyds of London, where students had a chance to sit in the boardroom and chat with City traders.

Luke said he plans to take his project to the next stage, using the cash and support from SEEN.

“School trips were not as inspiring as they could have been. I decided to give students the opportunity to plan and run their own outings.”
Luke Davis



Sumayya Begum, right, with trainer Rashida Begum



Left: Luke Davis is helping young people expand their employment horizons

Model ambitions and

MODEL **AUDREY BANSENDE**, 22, said she found it difficult to find work and found others facing the same issues.

In September, she set up Divine Management, which aims to showcase the modelling, singing and acting talents of

young people, particularly those in black and ethnic minority communities.

She also wants to hold talent shows and Audrey plans to spend her £500 grant on camera equipment to create profiles for her new customers.

Sumayya kicks off a new club

SUMAYYA BEGUM experienced low self-esteem and feared for her safety when walking alone at night.

Sumayya,17,joined a kickboxing class but, when it stopped running, decided to step into the gap by setting up her own.

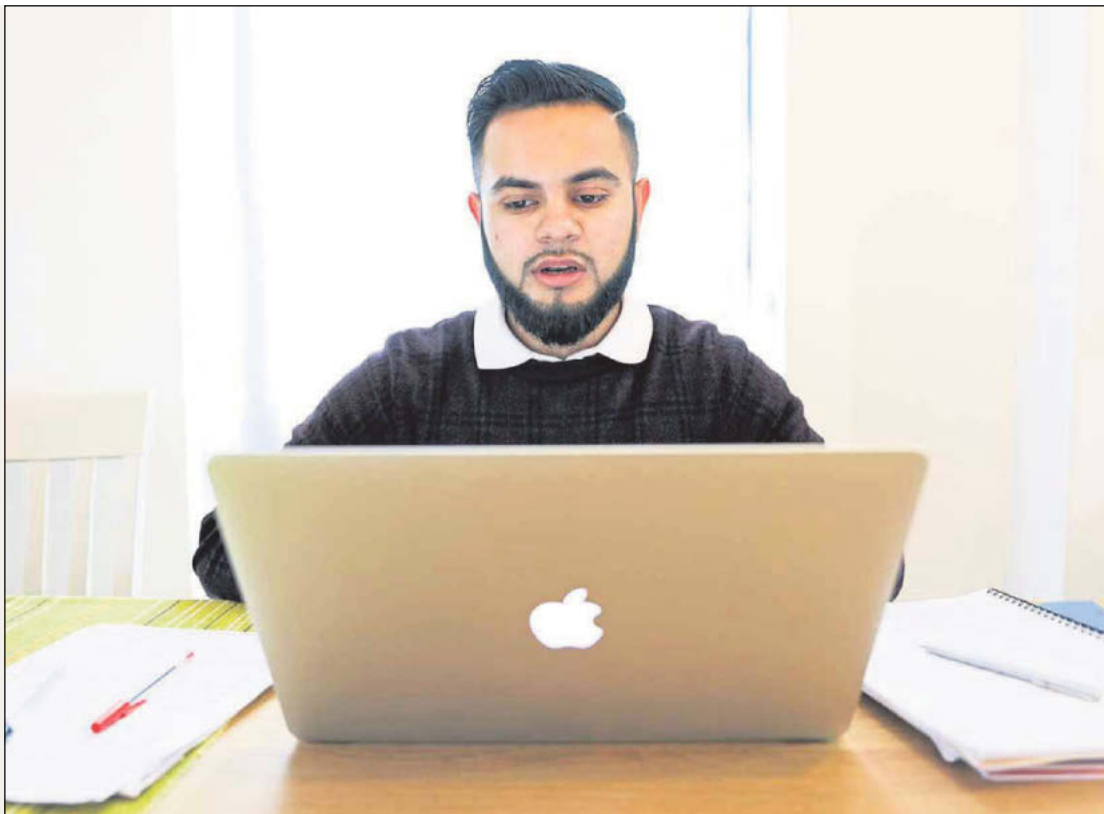
The sixth form student at Mulberry School for Girls started a kickboxing school and recruited her own trainers.

She now offers other young women a chance to build their fitness and confidence, and gain recognised qualifications.

“I met Chris Shutt, a facilitator from SEEN, and told him what my vision was,” Sumayya told East End Life.

“I secured funding, which I spent on hiring a venue and equipment and other start-up costs.

“I believe I am giving girls,especially Asian girls, the confidence to pursue sport, be themselves and work hard. I have about 20 regular attendees.”



Iftekhhar Hussain is offering online tuition in maths and science

Student shares his skills online

STEPNEY student **IFTEKHAR HUSSAIN**, 20, is studying maths at Kings College, University of London and hopes to pursue a career in consultancy or corporate banking after he graduates.

He recently launched MyStudyHub, an online tuition service.

Iftekhhar said he set up his business to motivate, support and mentor students.

“When I was growing up, I realised that there are many ambitious young people whose parents did not go into higher education and therefore may not know how to give direction about university and college life,” he said.

“I met Chris from SEEN and received £500, which will pay for a website with virtual classrooms and help promote the business.”

His online lessons, which include maths and science for nine- to 13-year-olds, have generated a lot of interest since the enterprise was launched in September.



Right: Amir Miah gets a helping hand from his brother, Habib



Right: a classic Chopper hangs on the wall

Left: Amir Miah at work on a bike



the power of pedalling

AMIR MIAH, 20, runs bicycle repair shop Your Bike.

He trains young people in how to repair, maintain and rebuild bikes, providing them with employability skills, and a positive role model.

Amir’s vision is to create a network of young, bicycle-orientated entrepreneurs who can travel around the borough providing services direct to the public.

He plans to spend his award on accessories, cycle clothing and bikes for his shop.

■ **SEEN** awards of between £500 and £2,500 are available to young people aged 16-30 who live, study or work in Tower Hamlets and want to test an idea for a social enterprise or launch a social venture. For details visit www.youngunltd.org.uk/thseenawards

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the author, and consultation undertaken. It can be found in Idea Stores, libraries, One Stop Shops and council offices or at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/data/your-council/data/forward-plan/forward-plan.cfm

Meetings

Tuesday, November 10
6.30pm: Licensing sub-committee

Items for consideration include an application for a new premises licence for Dum Dum Donutterie, 43 Brick Lane; and an application to review the premises licence for 5b Urban Bar, 27 Three Colt Street, E14.

For details call Simmi Yesmin on 7364 4120 or email yesmin@towerhamlets.gov.uk
Details are accurate at time of going to press.
Agendas are available online a week before meetings, which are at the Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG, except cabinet.

Free careers fair at Excel

SKILLS London 2015, the capital's biggest careers event, is at at ExCel London on Friday and Saturday, November 13 and 14.

It gives young people between 15 and 25 years opportunities to meet hundreds of employers, universities and colleges, training providers and expert advisers offering career

guidance and life coaching. Exhibitors include Aldi, Balfour Beatty, British Airways, the Army, BT, H&M, Heathrow Airport, HSBC, NHS, Royal Navy & Royal Marines, Siemens Rail Systems, Transport for London and Virgin Media.

Visit www.skillslondon2015.co.uk or call 8315 1020.



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Planning

EaW

88 Waterman Way – rear extension at ground, first, second and third floors, together with small, subterranean swimming pool below ground level. Details of construction management plan of planning permission, ref: PA/12/02869.

17 Torrington Place – ground-floor extension.
17 Vinegar Street – two-storey rear extension.

E1
Library Square, Beaumont and Maurice Court, Westfield Way & Joseph Priestly Intersection, Queen Mary & Westfield College, 327 Mile End Road – erection of smoking shelters.
86 Whitechapel High Street – change of use to café.
202-204 Commercial Road – change of use from retail to dental practice on ground-floor level.
64-66 Bethnal Green Road – two sets of internally illuminated individual Costa letters fixed internally and externally to glazing. One double-sided, built up, internally illuminated Costa projecting sign.
Aldgate Hostel, 7 Dock Street – roofing over of portions of light well to Dock Street and refurbishment of associated pavement storage vaults to use as ancillary staff spaces for the existing hostel building.

E2
412 Hackney Road – second storey to rear, two-storey block and creation of two external balconies. New shopfront and internal modifications. Retention of commercial use

at ground floor and change of use of upper floors to provide 2 x 3-bed self-contained flats.
Regents Wharf, Wharf Place – new residential flat in unused car parking space.
10 Wood Close – single sash window to match existing into the east facing (courtyard) elevation of first-floor flat.

E3
30 Cardigan Road – retrospective application for safety railings to flat roof.
629-631 Roman Road – residential development of five apartments with change of use and enlargement of first floor, with an additional floor and alterations to ground- and first-floor frontages.
Lord Cardigan Public House, 112 Anglo Road – demolition of existing single-storey rear extensions and construction of new single-storey rear extension, internal alterations to create 2 x 1-bed flats, changes to layout of rear garden including new external access stair to first-floor accommodation and alterations to boundary wall along Cardigan Road. New canvas awning over main entrance.
Bow Boys Secondary School, Paton Close – creation of new 3FE primary school (630 places) and 3 class nursery (75 places) on former secondary school site, including demolition of existing temporary structures and outbuildings, alterations and internal refurbishment of locally listed board school and construction of a new three-storey building with glazed link structure and associated external landscape works.
Watts Grove Depot, Glaucus

Street – details of code for sustainable homes of planning permission, ref: PA/14/02585.
44 Grove Road – change of use from care home to 1 x self-contained flat at lower-ground-floor level and office on ground, first and second floor. Associated external alterations including replacement of doors and windows.

E14
Pier Street Estate, Pier Street – communal entrance signage.
Gun Tavern Public House, 27 Cold Harbour – enclosure of terrace abutting riverside with electrically operated retractable roof and frameless sliding doors mounted on to retaining wall. Retention of existing timber decking.
199 and 199a East Ferry Road – demolition of existing dwellings and construction of five houses. Removal of some existing trees and construction of bike store and composting facility.
Pocket of land between DLR arches and viaduct, adjacent to Mill Place. Accessible from Basin approach, through DLR Archway – substation in conjunction with the adjacent Commercial Road/Basin approach residential development.
27 Ropemakers Fields – four-storey rear extension, glazed roof terrace, extended basement area and new studio space underneath an open court yard area, along with other minor alterations.
Site at 18-36 Thomas Road – details of secure by design and parking management strategy of planning permission, ref: PA/11/01944.

Drug treatment providers

Community Drug Team
Substitute prescribing, key working, health screening & referral to residential treatment.
71 Johnson Street, E1.
7790 1344
www.lifeline.org.uk

Nafas
Support with a focus on Bangladeshi community.
The Davenant Centre, 179-181 Whitechapel Road, E1
7377 0676.

Harbour Recovery Centre
In-patient detox for 18+ males.
Riverside House, 4th Floor, 20 Garford Street, E14.
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Young People's Service
Treatment for under-19s
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3069 7878
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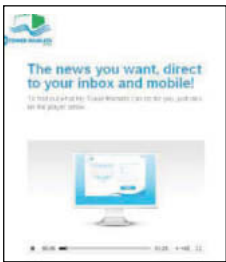
Isis
For women aged over 18
c/o Hopetown Hostel, 60 Old Montague Street, E1.
7426 0399
www.compass-uk.org

Community Alcohol Team
Unit 22, Skylines Village
Limeharbour, E14.
0800 008 7200
www.rapt.org.uk

Somali Substance Misuse
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Council information

Town Hall

Town Hall, Mulberry Place,
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7364 5000

Hotline numbers

Housing benefits – 7364 5001
Council tax – 7364 5002
Parking services – 7364 5003
Streetline – 7364 5004
Adult social care – 7364 5005
Children's services – 7364 5006
Pest and noise nuisance –
7364 5007
Employment & skills service
(Skillsmatch) – 7364 3727
Environmental health,
trading standards & licensing
– 7364 5008
Planning & development
– 7364 5009
Business rates – 7364 5010
Recruitment line – 7364 5011
Electoral services – 7364 0872
Tower Hamlets Homes
– 7364 5015
Healthline – 7364 5016
Anti-Fraud – 0800 528 0294

General enquiries

Council enquiries – 7364 5020.

Useful housing numbers

Housing repairs – 0800 376 1637
Tenancy support – 7364 5544
Housing advice – 7364 3558
Homeless service – 7364 7474
Choice-based lettings
– 7364 0244
Homeseekers – 0845 270 2400

Switchboard

If you know the name of the person or department you wish to speak to, call the switchboard on 7364 5000.



Do you know where to find this unusual feature of the borough? Our popular oddities picture poser gives readers the chance to keep their eyes peeled to see if they can spot where our photographers took the pictures. If you have photos of your own you would like to see published in East End Life, email them to eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk or send them to Photo Poser, East End Life, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG. They need to be high resolution, at least 1MB and 300 dpi.

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Non-emergency crimes – 101
Textphone – 18001 101

If a crime is in progress, there is an emergency or if anyone is in immediate danger dial 999.

The council's domestic violence team can provide information, signposting and referrals to local services. Bengali speakers available

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24-hour domestic violence national helpline

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Haven Whitechapel (sexual assault referral centre)

7247 4787

Karma Nirvana (Honour Network Helpline)

0800 5999 247

Broken Rainbow (LGBT domestic violence)

0845 260 4460

Black Women's Health & Family Support

8980 3503

Rights of Women

(legal advice)

7251 6577

Victim Support Line

0845 30 30 900

Victim Support Tower Hamlets

8555 8254

NSPCC Child Protection Helpline

0800 800 5000

Childline

0800 1111

Shelterline

0808 800 4444

Respect (for perpetrators)

0845 122 8609

Reunite (advice about child abduction)

0116 2556 234

Men's Advice Helpline

0808 8010 327

Samaritans

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Trading standards

Consumer Direct: 08454 040506

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Bow & North Poplar – John Onslow House, 1 Ewart Place, E3
South Poplar – 15 Market Square, Chrisp Street, E14
Stepney & Wapping – Idea Store Watney Market, 260 Commercial Road, E1.
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Idea Stores

Bow – Gladstone Place, E3.
Canary Wharf – Churchill Place, Canary Wharf, E14.
Chrisp Street – Vesey Path, E14.
Whitechapel – 321 Whitechapel Road, E1. 7364 4332
Watney Market – Commercial E1. 7364 4332
All open: Mon to Thurs, 9am-9pm; Fri, 9am-6pm; Sat, 9am-5pm. Sundays – Bow and Chrisp Street open, 10am-4pm; Whitechapel, 11am-5pm; and Canary Wharf, 12-6pm.

Libraries

Bethnal Green – Cambridge Heath Road, E2. 8980 3902
Cubitt Town – Strattondale Street, E14. 7987 3152
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Local History Library and Archives – 277 Bancroft Road, E1. Open Tues, 10am-5pm; Weds, 9am-5pm; Thurs, 9am-8pm; Sat (1st & 3rd of the month), 9am-5pm.
7364 1290; email localhistory@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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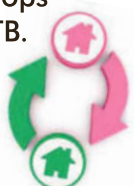
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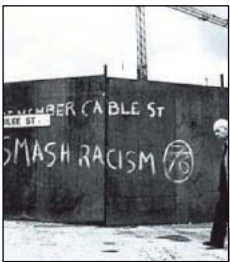
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Anti-racism

Rock against Racism was a collective of musicians and political activists.

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Take a stroll through the trees

The City of London and Tower Hamlets Cemetery opened in 1841 and was one of the 'Magnificent Seven' Victorian cemeteries. It is now a park, home to 31 acres of woodland.

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Out & about guide

What's on where this week

Events

Autumn tree amble

Learn how to identify trees as you take a stroll around Tower Hamlets Cemetery Park. Led by ecologist Annie Chipchase, you'll need to dress for the weather as you will be outside for most of the session. A notebook, pencil and camera will also be useful. Sat, Nov 21, 10am-1pm. £15/£12 concessions. The Soanes Centre, Tower Hamlets Cemetery Park, Southern Grove, E3. 8983 1277

Exhibitions

Rachael Champion, Agnes Denes and Rachel Pimm

Three artists explore the relationship between the environment and people. As mankind deepens its understanding of the ecological problems now being faced as a consequence of the development of industry and technology, issues of human responsibility and how our relationship with nature should evolve come to the fore. Until Dec 18. Weds-Sat, 11am-6pm or by appointment. Hales Gallery, Tea Building, 7 Bethnal Green Road, E1. info@halesgallery.com

Rock against Racism

Photographer Syd Shelton captures one of the most intriguing and contradictory political periods in British post-

war history. Between 1976 and 1981, Rock against Racism confronted ideology in the streets, parks and town halls of Britain. It was formed by a collective of musicians and political activists to fight facism and racism. Until Sat, Dec 5. Tues, Weds and Fri 11am-6pm, Thurs 11am-9pm, Sat 12-6pm. Autograph ABP, Rivington Place, EC2A. 7749 1240 <http://autograph-abp.co.uk/>

Film

Jumana Manna

First UK solo exhibition by Berlin and Jerusalem-based artist Jumana Manna. It comprises the feature-length film, A Magical Substance Flows into Me (2015), exploring the musical traditions of communities living in and around Jerusalem, alongside an installation of sculptures. Film screenings begin at 12.05pm, 1.15pm, 2.25pm, 3.35pm and 4.45pm. Until Dec 13. Wed-Sun 1-6pm, first Thurs of each month until 9pm. Chisenhale Gallery, 64 Chisenhale Road, E3. 8981 4518

Theatre

Circles in the Sand

Join Tam Tam Theatre in a world of buckets, castle building, spinning and



Cynthia Cruz, the girl who ate all her hair

A collection of recent works by Cynthia Cruz, recipient of the 2014/15 Goldsmiths' Studio Award. Using painting, sculpture, digital printing and video, Cynthia interprets personal and universal tragedies, the darkest moments in her own and other people's lives. She weaves computers, iPhone apps and special effects make-up alongside imagery from the internet that draws on themes of tragedy, horror and the absurd. Until Sun, Nov 22. Thurs-Sun 1-6pm. Acme Project Space, 44 Bonner Road, E2. 8981 6811 www.cynthiacruz.co.uk

tumbling in this show which is aimed at children aged under three. This is an intimate play with no words, just an evocative soundtrack of world music. At the end of the performance, children are invited to play with the sand and to feel it trickle between their toes and fingers. Early booking advised. Sat, Nov 14, 10am, 12pm and 2pm, running time 25mins, age range 0-3 Adults and children, £6 each. Half Moon Young People's Theatre, 43 White Horse Road, E1. 7709 8900 www.halfmoon.org.uk

Kids

Ballet for children

Every Thurs. Ages 2 fh-3 1/2 years, 2-2.30pm; 4-6 years, 4.45-5.15pm. Alpha Grove Community Centre, Isle of Dogs, E14. nina.monteiro@hotmail.com

Deaf after school club

For ages 5-12. Mon-Fri, 4-6pm. Tower Project, 45-55 White Horse Road, E1. naima@towerproject.org.uk 7790 9085

Kids' Creative Dance Classes

Mini-movers, 2-3yrs; leaps and strides I, 4-5yrs; leaps and

strides II, 5-6yrs; dash, 7-11yrs. Sat mornings. £44-49.50 per term or £4.50/£5 per term, plus concessions. Chisenhale Dance Space, 64-84 Chisenhale Road, E3. 8981 6617 chisenhaledancespace.co.uk

Rhyme time

Thurs, 2-3 pm. Watney Market Library, 30-32 Watney Market, E1. 7790 4039

Young & talented?

Performing arts group for 6-to 16-year olds. Sats, 10.30am-1.30pm, term-time. Oxford

House, Derbyshire Street, E2. 8556 5348

Parent & child

Dance play

Dance and movement, songs and rhymes for parents/carers and their children aged 1-5 years. Weds, 10.30-11.30am, term-time only. Cost £2 per child (in adv) or £3.50 drop-in rate, discounts available. Language of Dance Trust, Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2. 7749 1131 info@lodc.org

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Journey back to the 16th century

The circus is back in town, but this time with a difference. Witness an epic battle set in a mythical Far Eastern province as warriors battle an evil shogun in Kuli-Kala: Revenge of the Samurai.

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Comic touch

Roy Hudd is an actor, comedian, author and music hall historian.

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Out & About

Scene is set for Samurai drama

STRATFORD Circus hosts a swash-buckling new musical drama, Kuli-Kala: revenge of the Samurai.

Set in the 16th century in the mythical Far Eastern province of Zipang, it tells the story of an enigmatic Samurai seeking revenge against an evil shogun who has assassinated his family. During his journey, he encounters three female Ninja warriors forced to attack the Samurai against their will.

Kuli-Kala is performed by 30-DELUX, a Japanese theatre company that specialise in Ta-Te, a ritualistic style of mock sword play.

Music is by Toshihiko Sashashi, who has composed and arranged for animations, movies, video games and musicals.

It runs from Tuesday to Saturday, November 24-28. Per-



Ninja warriors in Kuli-Kala

formances at 7.30pm, with a Saturday matinee at 2.30pm. Tickets cost £12-£20. To book call 0844 357 2625 or visit www.stratford-circus.com

"I'VE been living a life inside myself and one outside myself and I can't resolve the two..."

An unbreakable bond ties together three brothers and one woman as they navigate the uncertainties of love and life. Always Unfinished is an intimate comedy

drama that explores the idea of expectation versus self-fulfilment in British-Asian culture by weaving together the stories of an unorthodox family and a successful outcast.

A 'colour-blind' casting policy was adopted for the play. This opened up wider possibilities for the exploration of each of the characters and added perspective to the portrayal of the meaning of family, love and brotherhood in the modern

world. Always Unfinished runs from Tuesday to Saturday, November 24-28 at The Space, 269 Westferry Road, 14. Tickets cost £10,

concessions £8. Curtain up 7.30pm.

Cast members from Always Unfinished



News in brief

Bold new talent emerges at festival showcase

THE Emerge festival at The Space showcases new short works of dance theatre, featuring new talent throughout November.

Different choreographers and theatre-makers premiere their works over five consecutive nights.

The festival is curated by C-12 Dance Theatre and the Space. The line-up features Artivism Dance Theatre, Pola Krawczuk, Feet Off the Ground Dance, Faye Oliver & Cheralynn Albert and Lewis Major.

Emerge takes place from Tuesday-Saturday, November 10-14. Performances begin at 8pm. Tickets are £10 if booked in advance or £12 on the door.

The Space is at 269 Westferry Road, E14. To book, call 7515 7799 or visit www.space.org.uk

Music hall makeover for a family favourite

BY JACQUELINE HARTHILL

GET ready to shout: "He's behind you!" as Dick Whittington makes its pantomime debut at Wilton's Music Hall.

Written by and starring Roy Hudd OBE and directed by his wife, Debbie Flitcroft, Dick Whittington promises to be a Christmas delight for all the family.

Wilton's is the oldest surviving grand music hall in the world and this will be its first traditional family pantomime.

The veteran comedian, actor writer and broadcaster fell in love with Wilton's and has written this version of Dick Whittington especially for the venue itself.

The story will take place on a magical voyage from



Roy Hudd, right, leads the cast in Dick Whittington

London's docks to a far-off sultan's palace and back.

Hudd, an authority on the history of musical hall entertainment, said: "Together with music

hall, pantomime is Britain's great contribution to the world of popular entertainment.

"To be part of a true family show in the oldest music hall in

Europe is a dream come true."

Ms Flitcroft said that she learnt everything she knows about pantomime from her other half, whom she met while working at The Theatre Royal Nottingham. This will be her fourteenth year directing pantomime, but her first guiding her 'old man'.

The cast also includes Simon Burbage, Gareth Davies, Nicole Davis, Steven Hardcastle, Amelia Rose Morgan, Ian Parkin and Josh Tevendale.

Dick Whittington will run from December 1-31. Stalls £30, benches £25, children under 16 £15, OAPs £15 (matinee performances only).

Wilton's Music Hall is in Graces Alley, E1. To book tickets, visit www.wiltons.org.uk or call 7702 2789.



A press cutting from 1973

Poetry reflects pupil power

IN 1973, pupils of a Tower Hamlets school went on strike in support of a sacked student teacher.

Chris Searle was dismissed by school governors for publishing a collection of his pupils' poetry, which resulted in a march to Trafalgar Square that made national headlines.

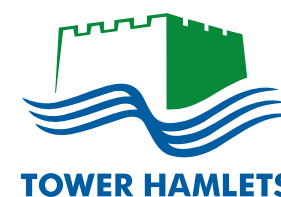
On Thursday, November 12, Chris joins with BBC Radio 4 broadcaster Alan Dein as he discusses the strike and its consequences. The discussion is followed by readings from

former members of community arts group Basement Writers, which was formed by some of his students.

The event, which forms part of the Globe Road Poetry Festival hosted by Queen Mary University of London, is free but advance booking is advised via www.eventbrite.co.uk

The evening starts at 6pm and is at the Tower Hamlets Local History Library and Archives, 277 Bancroft Road, E1. Visit www.ideastore.co.uk/local-history

Starting Nursery and Reception in Tower Hamlets in September 2016



Starting school is an exciting moment for both parents and children. We know that you want your child to have the best start to life and choosing the right place for your child is an important decision.



When do children start school?

Nursery

If your child was born between **1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013** they can start in the nursery at a Tower Hamlets school in the 2016/17 school year.

Reception

If your child was born between **1 September 2011 and 31 August 2011** they should start reception in September 2016.

You need to apply for your child's nursery or reception place by 15 January 2016 (Closing date)

How do I apply?

Nursery

To apply for a nursery place you will need to complete a paper application form for each school you wish to apply to and return this direct to the school. Nursery application forms are available at your local school or from Pupil Services Tel: **020 7364 5006**.

Reception

To apply for a reception place you can apply online at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

Alternatively, you can apply using a paper application form which is available from your local primary school or by contacting Pupil Services Tel: **020 7364 5006**.

Please note you must apply for a reception place even if your child is already in the nursery class at the same school.

Where can I get more information and advice?

Please visit www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/schooladmissions and follow the links to the nursery and primary admission pages where you will find the 'Starting Primary School in Tower Hamlets: Guide for Parents 2016/17'.

Please also come to one of our advice sessions below:

Old Ford Paradigm Academy, Wrights Road, E3 5LD
9.15am-10.15am on 25th November 2015

Globe Primary School, Gawber Street, E2 0JH
9.15am-10.15am on 27th November 2015

Lansbury Lawrence Primary School, Ricardo Street, E14 6DZ
9.15am-10.15am on 30th November 2015

Columbia Primary School, Columbia Road, E2 7RG
9.15am-10.15am on 1st December 2015

Blue Gate Field's Infant School, King David Lane, E1 0EH
9.00am-10.00am on 3rd December 2015

Cubitt Town Infants School, Manchester Road, E14 3NE
9.15am-10.15am on 4th December 2015

For more information and advice, please contact:
Pupil Services, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 2BG
Tel: 020 7364 5006 | Email: schooladmissions@towerhamlets.gov.uk



Penny's picks are As Good As Meat

Vegetarian blogger Penny Wilson's kids have never eaten meat and have no desire to. "We don't much care what other people eat, so long as we are left to enjoy our food," she says.

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Eating out, eating in

Two perfect pit stops for Roman roamers

BY GORDON BLUE

THE Roman Road, already famous for its street market, is fast becoming a centre of café culture.

Amid the hustle and bustle, you can discover many eateries to take a load off your feet, review your purchases and take a little sustenance before continuing with your shopping.

The Silver Fox and I tried two very different establishments, both little slices of heaven.

After haggling over a velour catsuit and early bird Santa Claus outfits, we stumbled across Mono, just opposite the Idea Store. We fought our way through the bargain hunters to be welcomed by owner Adam, possibly the most affable man in east London.

I settled in with the loyal regulars for a well-made latte, but at half the price of my usual haunts. I was offered a variety of hot and cold lunch options and tucked into a hearty panini with gooey mozzarella and plenty of pesto.

The Silver Fox joined me



Mono offers a well-made latte for half the price of other cafés

across the table, ashen with one look at the earlier mentioned catsuit, tucked into a generously filled jacket potato.

This is a real East End café and represents all that is brilliant about the Roman.

Meanwhile, later in the week, I met the charming Katja at Dear Deer cafe.

I virtuously supped on a detox smoothie (not that virtuous as

spurred on by martini overdose the night before), while I awaited lunch of smoked salmon and cream cheese on sourdough—made special with a scattering of pumpkin seeds and plump cherry tomatoes.

The coffee was excellent and the homemade quiche leaves me happy and sated. The chocolate brownies left me speechless they were so good.

Unfortunately Katja is on the move next month but watch this space to see where she's gone to, but predictions are just up the Roman, nearer the Parnell Road end.

Two ate some pretty special lunches for under a tenner a head each time.

■ Mono is at 535 Roman Road, E3. For Dear Deer's new location, follow them on Facebook.

Child-friendly winter warmer

I LOVE the start of autumn. The air feels crisp and cool and the leaves are showing off their new colours.

It is at this time that I start to crave comfort food like jacket potatoes, soup and vegetable stew. I recently made a veg stew to share in a community

event held at Tower Hamlets Cemetery Park.

It was well received, especially by Tom who wanted the recipe so he could make it at home.

I have tried to write this in a way that is straightforward for a ten-year-old, who hasn't cooked a stew before.

Tom's vegetable stew – serves 4

Ingredients

FOR THE STOCK

1 onion
1 carrot
1 stick of celery (leaves included)
3 bay leaves
1 tbsp thyme
1 clove garlic
1 small chilli
10 cups of water
Pepper

FOR THE STEW

1 leek
2 carrots
2 potatoes
Mixture of veg such as turnips, sprouts, broccoli, cauliflower and courgettes
Pinch of salt and pepper
1 tbsp fresh rosemary, thyme and sage
Olive oil
Cup of mixed lentils, pearl barley, oats and buckwheat

Method

1. First make the stock—it is best if you cook it a day ahead of use. Finely chop the vegetables and add all the ingredients to a saucepan. Put the lid on and simmer for ten minutes. Cool, strain and put in the fridge overnight.

2. Fry the veg slowly in a little olive oil and add the herbs.
3. When soft, put in a big pan and add the lentil mix. Add the stock and cook slowly until vegetables are soft.

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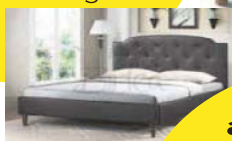
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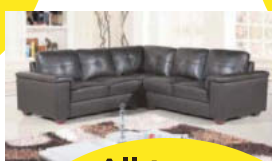
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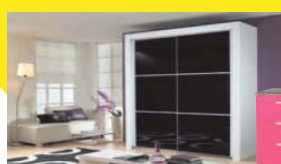


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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – MARSH WALL E14

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding the following temporary prohibition:

Location: Marsh Wall for a distance of approximately 160 metres, east, from its junction with Millharbour;

Reason: To allow essential resurfacing works to be carried out on the public highway by LBTH;

Alternative Route: For vehicular traffic will be via Heron Quay Longabout, Westferry Road (southbound), East Ferry Road (northbound), Limeharbour and Marsh Wall and vice versa;

Period: From Friday 13th November 2015 at 20:00 hours until Tuesday 17th November 2015 at 08:00 hours.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to Nasser Zanicthkiah, Street Scene Engineer, Engineering Design on 020 7364 6812 or email, nasser.zanicthkiah@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – HEMMING STREET E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding the following temporary prohibition:

Location: Hemming Street for a distance of approximately 20 metres (in the northbound direction only) from its junction with Selby Street;

Reason: To allow essential works

to be carried out on the public highway by Agility Alliance on behalf of Thames Water;

Alternative Route: For vehicular traffic in northbound direction will be via Selby Street, Vallance Road and Dunbridge Street.

Period: From Monday 30th November 2015 to Wednesday 2nd November 2015.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to Dave Pryce, Network Coordinator, Clean, Green and Highways on 020 7364 6671 or email, david.pryce@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990, SECTIONS 10, 67 AND 73

APPLICATIONS FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT AND APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT WHICH WOULD IN THE OPINION OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY AFFECT THE CHARACTER OR APPEARANCE OF AN AREA DESIGNATED AS A CONSERVATION AREA OR WOULD AFFECT THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING.

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New Testament Church Of God, Lichfield Road, London, E3 5AU **PA/15/3017/HDH**

New proposed dedicated pedestrian access point and the removal of existing timber board fencing replaced with cast iron railings including new cast iron gates for the vehicle entrance.

St Katharine Docks Marina, St Katharines Way, London, E1W 1LA **PA/15/3012 & 3013/KH**

Refurbishment of existing marinas in the east, west and central docks consisting of the removal of existing pontoons and finger docks and replacement with new pontoons and finger docks; installation of 5 new pile guides into the listed walls; refurbishment of existing pile guides and removal of any redundant pile guides; installation of new underwater seaflex moorings; removal of existing service pipes, cables and other equipment from the dock walls and the installation of new service runs.

Flat 523, Lexington Building, Fairfield Road, London, E3 2UF **PA/15/2955/BMC**

Planning permission is sought for replacement of skylight window with slightly larger white PVCu replacement.

The Greenwich Pensioner, 28 Bazely Street, London, E14 0ES **PA/15/3010/CSK**

Refurbishment of the existing public house to include the erection of a mansard roof extension to provide accessible toilet facilities at ground floor, kitchen and storage facilities at first floor and staff accommodation including a new manager's flat with an associated rear roof terrace at second floor.

75 Greenfield Road, London, E1 1EJ **PA/15/2724/HHA**

Proposed change of use of the 2nd and 3rd Floors of the existing building at the above address from use as wholesale storage and distribution (Use class B8) to use as an office (use class B1).

The Royal London Hospital, Whitechapel Road, London, E1 1BB **PA/15/2987/AHU**

Application for 2no. new car parks, located on north and south side of Stepney Way, to provide up to 114 staff car parking spaces to serve the The Royal London Hospital for a temporary period up to 31st December 2017.

10 Columbia Road, London, E2 7NN **PA/15/2837 & 2838/HHA**

Existing Ground Floor of number 10 Columbia Road, currently been used as a cafe, to be changed into one bedroom flat.

2 Tomlins Grove, London, E3 4NX **PA/15/2902/CHG**

Proposed two-storey rear infill-extension and internal reconfigurations and refurbishment of building, including removal of rear chimney breast, to create a self contained basement flat and a three-storey three bed house. Trimming of hawthorn tree in rear garden.

10 Wood Close, London, E2 6ET **PA/15/2994/LYM**

Installation of a single sash window to match existing into the east facing (courtyard) elevation of the first floor flat known as 10 Wood Close.

383-387 Mile End Road, London, E3 4QS **PA/15/2934/HAM**

Installation of new auto-sliding entrance door, internal plant replacements and replacement news bin

Lord Cardigan Public House, 112 Anglo Road, London, E3 5HD **PA/15/2732/CHG**

Demolition of 2xno. existing single storey rear extensions and construction of new single storey rear extension, internal alterations to create 2 x 1-bedroom flats, changes to layout of the rear garden including new external access stair to first floor accommodation and alterations to boundary wall along Cardigan Road. New canvas awning over main entrance.

10 Tredegar Square, London, E3 5AD **PA/15/1608/JTH**

Wooden bin bag store and external double doors in basement.

Regents Wharf, Wharf Place, London **PA/15/2977/ZAP**

Erection of one new residential flat in unused car parking space. [AMENDED PROPOSAL]

199 and 199A East Ferry Road, London, E14 3BB **PA/15/2991/KFL**

Demolition of 2 existing dwelling houses and construction of 5 dwelling houses. Removal of some existing trees on site and construction of bike store and composting facility.

Pocket of land between the DLR arches and Viaduct, Adjacent to Mill Place. Accessible from Basin approach, through the DLR Archway. **PA/15/2769/CSK**

Erection of a new substation in conjunction with the adjacent Commercial road/Basin approach residential development.

412 Hackney Road, London, E2 7AP **PA/15/2954/HAM**

Erection of a new second storey to a rear two storey block and the creation of two external balconies. New shopfront and internal modifications. Retention of commercial use at ground floor and change of use of the upper floors to provide 2 x 3 bedroom self contained flats.

44 Grove Road, London, E3 5AX **PA/15/2539/ZAP**

Change of use from care home (Use Class C2) to self contained flat (1 x one-bed, Use Class C3) at lower ground floor level and office (Use Class B1) on ground, first and second floor; Associated external alterations including replacement of doors and windows.

Aldgate Hostel, 7 Dock Street, London, E1 8LL **PA/15/2995/SEA**

Roofing over of portions of the light well to Dock Street and refurbishment of the associated pavement storage vaults to use as ancillary staff spaces for the existing hostel building.

Interxion Carrier Hotel Ltd, 11 Hanbury Street, E1 6QL **PA/15/2931/HHA**

Installation of 3.0m high acoustic screens on south and middle roofs and retention of power cabling to Grey Eagle Street facade of building.

313 Cambridge Heath Road, London, E2 9LQ **PA/15/2915/JTH**

Application for variation of condition no. 2 (Approved Plans) of planning permission dated 01/10/2014, ref: PA/14/01719.

482-486 Roman Road, London, E3 5LU **PA/15/2338/JTH**

Demolition of existing 3x flat shops and erection of 2x new commercial units and 6x new 2 bedroom flats

86 Whitechapel High Street, London, E1 7QX **PA/15/1936/DHA**

Application for change of use from A1 to A3 (Cafe).

30 Cardigan Road, London, E3 5HU **PA/15/2879/CSK**

Retrospective application for safety railings to flat roof.

Sail Loft Building and Spice Store Building, 3-11 Dod Street, London **PA/15/2945/KFL**

Planning application for the alteration of existing windows on the western elevation of the Spice Store and Sail Loft buildings.

International House, 1 St Katharines Way, London **PA/15/2922/SEA**

Upgrade to an existing telecommunications installation and associated works.

Bow Boys Secondary School, Paton Close, London, E3 2QD **PA/15/2917/CSK**

Creation of a new 3FE primary school (630 places) and 3 class Nursery (75 places) on a former secondary school site, including demolition of existing temporary structures and outbuildings, alterations and internal refurbishment of a locally listed board school and construction of a new three storey building with glazed link structure and associated external landscape works.

629-631 Roman Road, London, E3 2RN **PA/15/2869/BMC**

Residential development of 5 No. apartments with change of use and enlargement of first floor, with an additional floor and alterations to ground and first floor frontages.

The following are householder applications and in the event of an appeal against a refusal of planning permission, which is to be dealt with on the basis of representations in writing, any representations made about these applications will be sent to the secretary of state, and there will be no further opportunity to comment at appeal stage.

7 Durham Row, London, E1 0NP **PA/15/2962 & 2963/HAM**

Erection of single storey rear extension.

5 Mossford Street, London, E3 4TH **PA/15/2978/CHG**

Installation of double glazed windows.

141 Wapping High Street, London, E1W 3NG **PA/15/2951/DHA**

Ground and first floor extension, erection of new window and door, reroofing.

Copies of the applications and plans may be inspected between the hours of 9am-1pm, Monday to Friday at the Planning Department, Mulberry Place, Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG. The information will also be available on the Council's web site at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk. If you respond by email, please tell us your postal address.

Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 21 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated: 9th November 2015

OWEN WHALLEY
Head of Planning and Building Control



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TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – MEETING HOUSE ALLEY E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding the following temporary prohibition:

Location: Meeting House Alley between its junction with Chandler Street and its junction with Watts Street;

Reason: To allow essential repair to leaking mains to be carried out on the public highway by Thames Water;

Alternative Route: For vehicular traffic, will be via Chandler Street, Wapping Lane and Watts Street and vice versa or Chandler Street, Reardon Street and Watts Street and vice versa;

Period: From Tuesday 1st December 2015 to Thursday 3rd December 2015.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to John Parsons, Network Coordinator, Clean, Green and Highways on 020 7364 6680 or email, john.parsons@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – GOWERS WALK E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, having consulted with Transport for London, made an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering or proceeding, the following temporary prohibition:

Location: Gowers Walk a distance of approximately 50 metres between its junction with Hooper Street and its junction with Commercial Road;

Reason: To allow essential works to be carried out on the public highway by Mc Nicholas Construction;

Alternative Routes: For vehicular traffic will be via Hooper's Street, Back Church Lane (northbound), Commercial Road and Gowers Walk and vice versa or Hooper's Street (westbound), Leman Street, Chamber Street, Mansell Street (southbound), Royal Mint Street, Leman Street (northbound), Prescott Street, Mansell Street (northbound), Alie Street (eastbound), Commercial Road and Gowers Walk;

Period: from Monday 16th November 2015 to Friday 27th November 2015.

Throughout the duration of the works and at times when the "no entry" and "one way" traffic signs are covered the existing one way working in Gowers Walk a distance of approximately 30 metres, south, from its junction with Commercial Road will be temporarily suspended.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to John Parsons, Network Coordinator, Clean, Green and Highways on 020 7364 6680 or email, john.parsons@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC & TEMPORARY BANNED TURN – OLD BETHNAL GREEN ROAD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from:

Location:

a) Entering, stopping or proceeding Old Bethnal Green Road between its junction with Cambridge Heath Road and its junction with Poyser Street;

b) Turning left or turning right from Cambridge Heath Road into Old Bethnal Green Road;

Reason: To allow essential detailed railway bridge inspection to be carried out on the public highway by Network Rail;

Alternative Route: For vehicular traffic will be via Old Bethnal Green Road, Warner Place, Hackney Road and Cambridge Heath Road and vice versa;

Period: From Monday 16th November 2015 to Thursday 31st March 2016.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to David Pryce, Network Coordinator, Clean, Green and Highways on 020 7364 6898 or email, david.pryce@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – PINCHIN STREET E1

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a) On Saturday 14th November 2015 from 08:00 hours until 18:00 hours;

b) On Sunday 15th November 2015 from 10:00 hours until 18:00 hours;

c) On Saturday 21st November 2015 from 08:00 hours until 18:00 hours;

d) On Sunday 22nd November 2015 from 10:00 hours until 18:00 hours.

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Sport

Soccer round-up Tunde hits three

Sporting Bengal...6
Southall...2

SPORTING roared into the next round of the Vase Cup, thanks to a Tunde Adewunmi hat-trick at Mile End Stadium.

Abdi Samad, with two goals, and Yacine Teladjati completed the rout.

Earlier in the Essex Senior League, they were 180 seconds away from ending their recent mini-slump, but an 87th minute own goal cost them two points against Wadham Lodge.

Sporting went ahead through Abdi Samad in the 14th minute before Wadham got back on terms through Dion Lewis-Kirwan, three minutes after the interval.

Again Bengal took the initiative, this time through Adewunmi in the 72nd minute before that late equaliser.

Hamlets crash

Basildon Utd...4
Tower Hamlets...0

IT was back to old ways for Tower Hamlets who, after winning against Eton Manor, crashed back down to earth losing 4-0 away at Basildon United.

They were behind after only four minutes through Brad Hunter and two down after 12 minutes when the same player scored again.

Fahid Nyanja made it 3-0 and, even after Basildon's Ben Surtain was sent off, managed a fourth from Rob Clark.

UEL own Essex

THE University of East London beat the University of Essex 3-0, with a little help from two own goals.

They took the lead after 22 minutes when an Essex player put through his own net.

Johan Caney-Brown made it 2-0 minutes later before the third own goal wrapped up a comfortable victory.

The thirds were leading 3-1 against Brighton's fifth team only for the Seaside to pull it back to 4-4 and take it to a penalty shootout. Kaddu, Lavin, Ametefe and Kalambayi were the scorers in normal time.

IT was gold all the way for Bethnal Green Sharks' young swimmers in the Alan Mitchell Trophy Meet at Blackshot Leisure Centre, Thurrock.

They won a total of 17 events on the day, with Wojcech Gawuc and Tahlia Deaner each picking up four golds, Sam Kemp getting a hat-trick and Sean Elodin collecting a brace.

■ **Nine-year-old boys**
Wojcech Gawuc – gold in 200m backstroke and breaststroke, 100m butterfly and 100m breaststroke; silver in 200m freestyle and 50m butterfly. Sam Kemp – gold in the 200m medley, 200m freestyle and 50m butterfly; silver in 100m



butterfly, 100m breaststroke, 50m freestyle and backstroke; bronze in 100m freestyle, 100m backstroke. Sean Elodin – gold in 200m, and 100m backstroke; silver in 100m freestyle and bronze in 50m freestyle.

■ **Nine-year-old girls**
Mika Ogden – gold in 100m

breaststroke and silver in 100m backstroke. Stella Ozden – silver in 200m medley and bronze in 100m backstroke. Marina Horiuchi – silver in 200m backstroke and bronze in 200m freestyle.

■ **Ten-year-old girls**
Ronni Phillimore – silver in

100m breaststroke. Fedra Androulidaki – silver in 400m medley.

■ **Eleven-year-old girls**
Tahlia Deaner – gold in 400m freestyle, 200 butterfly and breaststroke and 100m backstroke; silver in 200m backstroke and bronze in 50m backstroke.

Amelie Noor – gold in 100m breaststroke and silver in 50m breaststroke.

■ **Twelve-year-old girls**
Kaia Cudmore – gold in 200m medley and 200m breaststroke; silver in 100m breaststroke; bronze in 50m breaststroke. Agni Hatzakis – gold in 400m freestyle and bronze in 100m backstroke. Chloe Newman – bronze in 200m butterfly. Melissa Elodin – bronze in 200m breaststroke.

■ **Thirteen-year-old girls**
Kia Ogden – silver in 200m backstroke and 100m breaststroke; bronze in 50m butterfly.

■ **Fourteen and above**
Brid Cudmore – bronze in the 50m breaststroke.

Ejay does it on big stage after joining pro ranks



Ejay Ofomata in action

Tower Hamlets basketball player already key to new club's success

BY PETER FAULKNER

EJAY Ofomata is becoming the new darling of Portuguese basketball – less than a month after she was given a professional contract.

The Tower Hamlets star is garnering rave reviews for her performances, and has already become the outstanding player for CAB Madeira.

Ofomata has led the side to victories over Galitos-Tley, SC Lusitania Expert and Electrico FC and heads her team's scoring with an average of 22.5 points.

Ejay, from Ropley Street, Bethnal Green, is loving every minute of her new career on foreign soil. "I'm really enjoying my time out here in Portugal," she said.

"It's very different and a lot of work as expected.

"We practise every day and so we are getting there as a team, still learning about each other

to become a stronger unit."

Despite the three victories, Madeira lost 65-68 to GDESSA and Ofomata said learning how to bounce back after a loss was an important part of the game.

She said it was still early in the season and so she was hoping they could build on their successes so far and have a winning season as a team.

Ofomata had a magnificent game helping Madeira to an 88-63 victory.

As well as being her team's top scorer, Ofomata is also leading on rebounds, with an average of 7.5 per game.

She added: "We felt as though we needed to redeem ourselves from the previous loss and show some passion and pride.

"I think we played defence really well and stayed together which is always the key. The momentum we built up early in helped us a lot and carried us through to the victory."



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Sport

Wapping show they can be real title contenders

HOCKEY ROUND-UP
BY PETER FAULKNER

Wapping...4
Havering...0

A TILT at the East Premier
A title remains very much in Wapping's sights after they cruised to victory over struggling Havering at Lee Valley.

They are now two points off the top of the table and travel to a high-flying Ipswich for their next match.

They were made to work hard but the deadlock was finally broken after a sustained period of Wapping pressure, Grant Aidoo-Nash deflecting home a Mark Bennett cross.

They met stubborn resistance from Havering, whose increasingly physical defensive work led to a flurry of cards, including one red.

The second half saw the home side camp in the opposition's half and eventually, the maroon-shirted troops won a short corner which Felix Styles dispatched into the bottom corner to double Wapping's lead.

The remainder of the half saw



The Wapping ladies first team

PHOTO: Iain McAuslan

the home team dominate possession with Oliver Salvesen and Aidoo-Nash completing a workman-like victory.

Wapping ladies...7
Holcombe ladies...1

THIS Halloween match was a top-of-the-table clash for Wapping ladies after last week's draw against Colchester.

They dominated the first half with some entertaining hockey and by half time the home side were 2-0 up.

The second half saw goals fly-

ing in from all angles, with Jo Ward starting the flurry with a neat flick over the goal keeper. Despite the score, the game was sprinkled with cards.

Kate Silberman, Korinna Joerling and Kate O'Sullivan were all sent off with green cards and captain Lucy Todd earned warnings from the umpires several times.

East London men...2
Cambridge City 3rd...7

EAST London started the match at Lee Valley in third place – one

place and a point ahead of Cambridge, but they finished up getting a mauling from the Suffolk side.

East played like they were asleep and shipped four goals in the first half. After the break Mark Prince and captain Sam Boddington each scored to restore some pride.

Wapping 2nd...3
East London ladies 1st...3

THIS was exciting end-to-end stuff from start to finish. East London's defence soaked up all

the first-half pressure enabling Emily Menzies to pass to Eilis Quinlan, who scored.

Menzies followed up her assist with a far post dive to add the second.

However, this was a tale of two halves and minutes after the restart Wapping had scored.

East London didn't hit the panic button and captain Anastasia Nicholl passed to Tori Barker, who raced down the line and laid off to Alexa Kearns to restore the two-goal margin.

However, Wapping hit back with a penalty stroke and a final flourish to end level.

Other highlights...

MARA Waters, on her debut, scored a beauty for East London ladies second team in the 5-3 win over Waltham Forest; Meenal Patel and Hannah Graham both scored hat-tricks for the ladies' third team, who mauled Basildon 11-0; Harry Finster also grabbed three for the men's second team, although they lost 7-3 to Waltham Forest; and the East London mixed team beat London Strollers 3-2 – all the goals coming from defenders.

Over-50s

Better Games at the Copper Box

THE tenth annual Better Club Games – an over-50s sport and physical activity event – will take place at the Copper Box Arena, in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, Stratford on Tuesday, November 17.

Tower Hamlets have a 45-strong team in the competition, which will include tennis, swimming, cycling, table tennis, bowls, badminton, darts, dominoes and walking football.

Basketball

Lions downed by northern Giants

London Lions 82

Manchester Giants 90

LONDON Lions ended up in a Halloween nightmare as Manchester halted a six-game losing streak to collect a 90-82 triumph in front of more than 2,000 fans at the Copper Box.

Rugby

World Cup fever

WORLD Cup fever hit Tower Hamlets as 14 promising young players from the Clifford Chance Rugby Academy watched Ireland take on Italy in a World Cup qualifying match at the Olympic stadium.

The academy is run in collaboration with the Tower Hamlets Youth Sport Foundation with ten schools involved.

Youngsters stage their own park Paralympics



Schools

EIGHTY pupils from Tower Hamlets secondary schools staged their own version of the Paralympics in Mile End Park.

Organised by Tower Hamlets Youth Sport Foundation, the event was for youngsters with special educational needs or disability.

There was wheelchair

basketball, sitting volleyball, judo or Boccia indoors, while outdoors the participants showed off their cricket, archery and football skills.

The event also acted as a chance for students hoping to impress the watching coaches to gain selection to represent Tower Hamlets at the London Youth Games and Panathlon multi-sport competitions.





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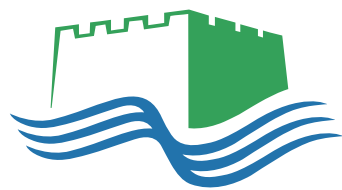
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As pleased as punch

"To get one or two medals would have been great, but four is just incredible. I couldn't be any prouder of them and I hope their photos deserve a place on Repton's wall of fame."

COACH KELLIE OMER



TOWER HAMLETS

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Four light up big fright night

Quartet set new standard for Repton ladies in Halloween show

BY PETER FAULKNER

FOUR fighters set a new standard for Repton Boxing Club's women with a spook-tacular display at the Novice Championships on Halloween.

While ghosts and ghouls were scaring most people, the fearsome foursome – **Lisa Moore, Jay Dujon, Nikoletta Panski and Elena Narozanski** – were frightening the opposition at York Hall, Bethnal Green, and picking up three gold medals and one silver.

Their success was even more bewitching because the club's men didn't have one boxer in the finals.

Both Jay and Lisa had to fight in tough semis while Niki and Elena both went straight into the final.

Coach Kellie Omer was delighted. She said: "To get one or two medals would have been



The awesome foursome of Jay Dujon, Nikoletta Panski, Elena Narozanski and Lisa Moore

great, but four is just incredible.

"Seeing the girls win gold and silver medals at last year's Haringey Cup was something special, but these four medals have set a new benchmark.

"I couldn't be any prouder of

each and every one of them and I hope their photos deserve a place on Repton's wall of fame."

Dujon's points win over Jade Pearce (Wellington) in the Class A 54kg made her the first woman in the club's develop-

ment squad to win a national title. Something of a pioneer, she was also the first to wear a Repton vest, and the first to win gold at the Haringey Cup.

Panski, also in Class A 75kg, was having her first contest for

the club against Shona Stanton (Felling Warriors). And she won unanimously after a strong final round.

In the Class B 57kg category, Moore, one of Repton's favourites and the first woman ever to represent the club in a London vest, saw the decision go against her, losing on points to Raven Chapman (Arena) – her conqueror in the Haringey Cup. But Raven and several other ringside experts thought Lisa deserved the decision.

The last boxer into the ring was Narozanski – also having her first contest for Repton – and she unanimously outpointed and outclassed Courtney Taylor (Army) at 75kg.

Stepney's Broad Street Boxing Club had to settle for one winner and one loser in the Novice Championships.

But both Mohammed Yusef and Rod Douglas did the club proud.

Yusef, fighting in the Class B

57kg category, boxed superbly to gain a unanimous points decision and the title against Liam Garmory (Chorley). He won every round boxing at long range and landing some excellent body shots.

Douglas, whose dad, Rod Snr, boxed for the club, dropped the decision to Conay Walker (Merridale) in the Class A 75kg category.

He had a great last round, despite being handicapped by a cut eye, but couldn't make up the deficit.

■ **REPTON** won the Mothers Tribute Cup by defeating an American Select side 5-3 in Florida.

The show also raised thousands of dollars for a cancer charity. Full report next week.

■ **SAMMY McNess**, ex-Repton star, won his second professional fight when he outpointed and outfought veteran Kevin Macauley at Harrow Leisure Centre.

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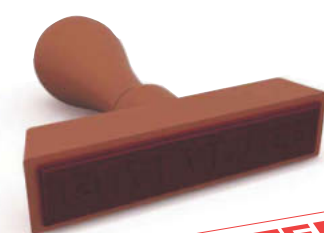
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